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## PREVIOUS HISTORY

The Regiment was organized in Buffalo, New York, in 1848, and served in the Civil War as the 65th Regiment New York Infantry and as part of the 187th Regiment New York Volunteers. It served in the Spanish-American War as the 65th Regiment New York Infantry. On July 10th, 1916, the Regiment was changed to heavy artillery, and served on the Mexican Border as the 3rd New York Field Artillery.

The Regiment has received authority to place on the lances of its standards, silver rings, engraved as follows:

Gettysburg Campaign, 1863; before Petersburg, Va., October, 1864; Hatcher's Run, October, 1864; Hicksford Raid, Va., December, 1864; Hatcher's Run, February, 1865; Appomattox Campaign, March and April, 1865; Gravelly Run, March, 1865; White Oak Ridge, March, 1865; Five Forks, April, 1865; Fall of Petersburg, April, 1865; Appomattox Court House, April, 1865; Spanish-American War, 1898.





## CHAPTER I.

### TRAINING PERIOD

#### "JOYOUS BEGINNINGS"

The Regiment was called into the United States service on July 15th, 1917, and drafted into the Army of the United States as the 106th Field Artillery on August 4th, 1917. About a month later the Regiment was ordered to Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C., for training under command of Lieut.-Colonel John D. Howland. Here Colonel Frank H. Hines was assigned to command the Regiment until its departure for Europe.

With its Mexican Border experience behind it the Regiment progressed rapidly in its training. Care of horses, dismounted drill, gun drill, road marches and training of special details, led up to service practice on the artillery range at Campobello in the Blue Ridge Mountains during March and April, 1918. During the month of May rumors of the early departure of the 106th Field Artillery steadily increased in volume, until they became a veritable roar, echoing and re-echoing throughout the entire confines of Camp Wadsworth, S. C. Cheerful and carefree at last, the 106th went about its work of salvaging discarded equipment, of packing, and cleaning up. For was it not at last finished with the long winter of inactivity? Was not its dearest hope of taking part in the Great Game about to be realized? Even the renowned spy system of the German Imperial Government heard the news, for reports of the Kaiser's perturbation over the event quickly spread over the length and breadth of his Dominions. It was not surprising, therefore, that on the arrival of the 106th at Newport News in the last days of May, three submarines were reported lurking off the coast and, indeed, in the very vicinity of the Capes. Undismayed, however, and with its customary dash, the 106th pawned off its old tableware on its sister regiments, and in the hush of a hot summer day, June 6th, climbed aboard the good ship "Matsonia." As the land dropped quickly out of sight, and the ship sped on with its cruiser escort, some anxiety was felt by the ship's officers concerning the whereabouts of the sea monsters. But the 106th showed its contempt of danger by promptly going to sleep, and through this ruse evaded the watchful eyes of the Teutonic sea-hounds. The success of its exploit can only be appreciated in view of the report (not verified) that the cruiser, on its return to the coast, fell a ready victim to the thwarted anger of the submarines, who satisfied their rage at the

escape of the 106th by mercilessly attacking helpless craft of all sorts, including coal barges.

The good ship "Matsonia" now lined up with a cruiser of the latest type and five other transports and day after day pursued a zigzag course to the Eastward. The solemn procession moved onward with little adventure, and the 106th grew accustomed to crawling around in the dark, for lights were out after sunset, grew accustomed to sleeping in its tiers of bunks in the hold, or on warm nights to rolling up on deck, and to the elastic organization which in active service replaces the straight lines and regular intervals of the drill field. But two events broke the orderly progress of the voyage. One was a sudden blast of whistles and reversing of the engines of the "Matsonia" shortly after dark of the fifth day on the ocean. The 106th crawled up on deck to see what it was all about, just in time to note the stern of a strange vessel slide past the "Matsonia's" bow within hailing distance. The other was the mysterious breakage of a pair of opera glasses used by the lookout on No. 2 Post, Main Deck. Who did it? For the entire remainder of the journey, the Adjutant's office was kept busy sending out memoranda, writing indorsements, returning letters for revision, asking questions, conducting investigations, and filing reports. It is a detail scarcely worth mentioning that the voyage ended before the mystery of the opera glasses was solved, for the breakage was more than compensated by the innocent occupation which it provided for so many persons, who would otherwise have suffered from the tedium of uneventful days.

Towards the end of the voyage the 106th arose before dawn, strapped





on its lifebelts, and gathered in the appointed places. Nothing, however, except the beauty of the sunrise and gradual emergence of the destroyers out of the mists of the night repaid this excess of virtue. At last, many small craft appeared; later a great dirigible balloon and finally, the mainland of France. It was the 18th day of June when the 106th first set foot on this historic soil, in the old fishing port of St. Nazaire, and felt that the great adventure had begun. The reports of a rest camp quickly proved illusory, as prodigies of manual labor were immediately demanded of the regiment; although it had a total strength of but 1,300, unloading details of 1,500 were regularly called for. Thus the days sped quickly by, and the regiment shortly entrained for Bordeaux. It was here, in the quiet, contented, prosperous village of Grandignan that the 106th enjoyed the most luxurious of billets, learned to dawdle in true French fashion, and look on the wine when it was red. The war seemed very far away. Without guns, or even horses, the regiment was but an idle spectator in those days when German might still menaced the common security. Indeed, a close relation is ascribed by the knowing ones to the proximity of the date of the great victory at Chateau Thierry and the departure of the 106th for Camp de Souge.

In this historic training ground all the mysteries of modern warfare were quickly unfolded before the gasping minds of the eager students. Barometric pressure, the Italian method, French recoil apparatus, "Y" lines, and azimuth, the intricacies of the 155mm. Schneider Howitzer were mastered, and all became familiar friends; horses and guns were issued; the motto of the Y. M. C. A., "We are all out; everything goes to the boys

at the front," grew to be a byword. And yet these virtues were only of secondary importance, compared to the really great work Camp de Souge did for its pupils. Situated in a patch of France so barren that it may only be compared with certain stretches in Texas or the Sahara Desert; sandy and glaring, flat, ugly, uninteresting, and infested with three-fourths of all the flies in existence, it could not fail to awaken a desire to leave for anywhere—even the unknown perils of the Front.

It was here that the Regiment lost its Commanding Officer—Lieut.-Colonel John D. Howland. In his stead, it acquired the new leader, who was to guide it through its active service, and mould it into a fighting outfit—Colonel Emery T. Smith. Here, too, it was joined by its liaison officer—Lieut. Henri Berteaux—a fine representative of the French Army, whose experience and help were a constant factor in the work at the front.

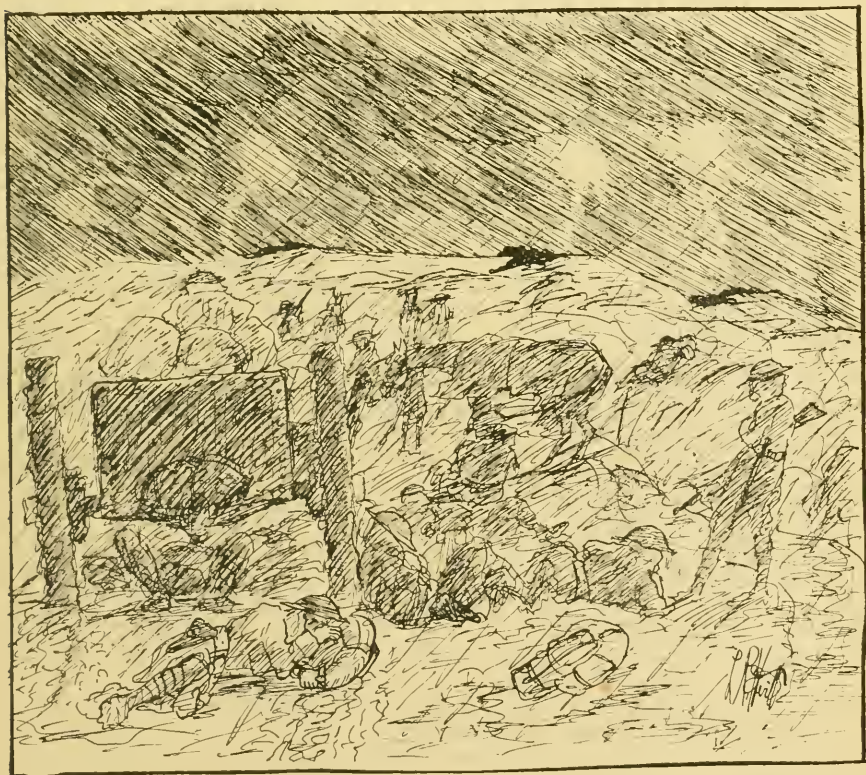
And so, fully equipped, on the 6th and 7th of September, the Regiment entrained for parts unknown.



## CHAPTER II

### A QUIET SECTOR

The journey from Bordeaux to Longeville, a small town near Bar-le-Duc, consumed slightly over two days. It was made under the best of conditions, fine weather, frequent stops, a surplus of cars, and good watering conditions for the animals. The small French cars hold eight horses, four in a row, with heads toward the middle, leaving just room for two men to sit and attend to the feeding and watering conveniently. People still waved at the Americans, and the excellent hot coffee arrangements of the Red Cross made the time pass easily. The Regiment welcomed the orders to start for the front that same evening, September 9th, despite the rain which began falling steadily.



Those Midnight Rests were Fine—in Sunny (?) France

The guns of three batteries, A, C and D, constituting the 1st Provisional Battalion under Major Verbeck, together with their officers and gun crews, were pulled right through to their new positions at Charny and near Germonville. The rest of the regiment rode or walked through the black night. Without a chance to rest their horses which had been received only a short time previously, and were still soft and green, they straggled into Issoncourt, a march of about 30 kilometers, just as day was breaking. Guns and wagons were scattered about under trees, in the shadow of houses, half hidden under hedges, picket lines were stretched, horses fed and a snatch of sleep took up most of the day. The rain now settled down into a steady downpour, covering the hard roads with a surface of mud, and making the soft roads practically impassable. It was under these conditions that the regiment moved out after dark to the Bois de Nixeville, a semi-permanent camp of Adrian Barracks, hidden away under the trees. It was heavy work, and the horses were beginning to give way under the strain. Stable space was scarce and most of the animals had to be left on picket lines. The mud was deep, and it was impossible to build fires, but it was welcome news that we should lie over a day. A good sleep, the first for four nights, and the last stage of the journey to Baleycourt was made on the night of September 12th. Here the echelon was permanently established at about two kilometers from Regimental Headquarters, which were at Fromereville and about eight kilometers from the nearest enemy lines. Almost over night the regiment had stripped for action. The care-free joy of the training period over; old habits were dropped by the wayside like cast off clothes.

While the regiment was thus painfully dragging itself and its impediments forward, the 1st Battalion was already getting into action. On September 12th it took part in a demonstration in support of the St. Mihiel attack. Shortly after the 3rd Battalion, consisting of E and F Batteries, also moved into position near Bethlainville, without, however, doing any firing, and a Battalion of the 308th French Heavy Artillery, under Major Crova, was added to the regiment.

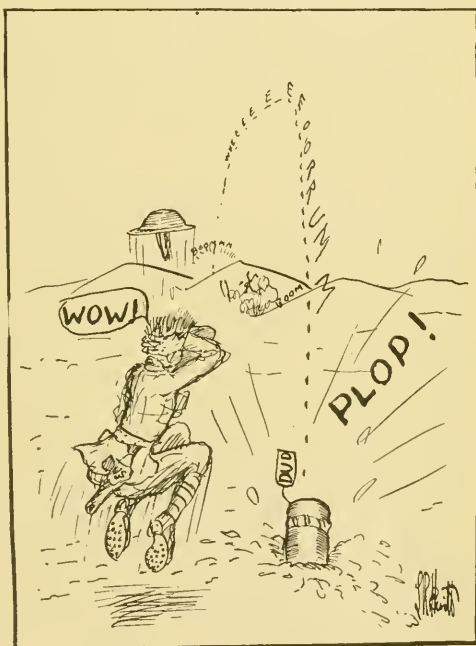
On its arrival at the front the Brigade was attached to the 33rd Division, under command of Major General George Bell, Jr., who immediately undertook a searching inspection of his new acquisition. Almost everything was found unsatisfactory. The railroad journey and muddy hike were not accepted as excuses. So that in company with the rest of the Brigade, the 106th was subjected to severe criticism in regard to the condition of its horses and materiel. Polishing wagons, cleaning harness, grooming, feeding and grazing horses were the lot of those left behind in the echelon for the next few weeks, until a re-inspection showed the necessary improvement. Despite all that could be done, however, the horses

never measured up to the work required of them and continued to hamper the mobility of the regiment throughout its service at the front. The best horses were therefore concentrated in A, B and F Batteries, so as to insure ready movement for at least one-half of the outfit.

Verdun at this time was a quiet sector, where all the precautions of stationary warfare were rigidly enforced so that no suspicions of concentration would leak out. Only single wagons or trucks and small detachments of men might move in the day time. Guns were fired only at rare intervals and for short periods. Occasional trench raids for the purpose of identifying prisoners were all that disturbed the peaceful calm. A few enemy "G. P. F.'s" fell around Fromereville and the echelon. "A" Battery received its daily punishment at 5:50 in the afternoon; on moonlight nights aeroplanes whirred overhead and dropped a sprinkling of bombs; and crossroads received an occasional burst of shrapnel. These did but little damage with the exception of a chance shot which made a direct hit on No. 4 piece of "E" Battery, burying six members of the gun crew. Capt. Curtin led the work of digging them out, and it was found that nothing more serious than a few broken arms and legs resulted.

Since arriving at these positions, several times telephone wires had been mysteriously cut, and there was some feeling of uneasiness lest some German spies were in our midst. This was enhanced by an incident that occurred at "A" Battery on the evening of September 16th. The guard had noticed two men in French working uniforms, apparently loitering about. When he next saw them they were inside one of the gun pits and actually looking over the gun. At his challenge they scrambled out and disappeared among the ruins, in spite of his pistol shots. A search was undertaken, but darkness came on rapidly and all efforts at finding them were without avail.

Shortly after these incidents a French Marine Officer was seen prowling



G'wan, wha' d'you know about luck, huh?

ing around "D" Battery position on September 17th. This Battery was occupying the former emplacements of two French Batteries, the two platoons being about 100 meters apart and the P. C. near the middle. It later appeared that the French Officer had been ordered to occupy these emplacements with his battery and was reconnoitering the ground, but at the moment did not disclose his purpose. Lieut. Backus first accosted him, but his French was insufficient. Later he met Lieut. Burrows and they spoke English. How many guns were in the position? How many men? Quantity of ammunition? And means of approach? He soon knew all there was to learn about the situation. Then he disappeared. The reports clashed. Certainly here was a mystery. Headquarters were informed. A search was instituted. At last the Frenchman was found—arranging the necessary details for cooperation with the Brigade Staff.

On September 23rd began the movement forward in preparation for the attack on September 26th. The regiment was concentrated on a knoll northwest of Chattancourt; the 3d Battalion in an old French position, near the top; half way down, the 1st Battalion, in semi-prepared positions; and at the foot of the hill, the 2nd Battalion in the open. The positions of the upper two battalions were only reached by a field road, which on account of the constant rain became almost impassable. These were strenuous days of waiting on congested roads, hauling guns out of holes, pushing and straining in the dark. They were trying because of the harassing fire which the Boche was now sprinkling generously on crossroads and exposed places, and which during this time was not answered by any return. Without shelter for three days, with scarcity of food and the constant labor of digging and carrying ammunition to the gun positions, the regiment nevertheless succeeded in putting itself into a position to accomplish its mission of the 25th.





The above reproduction is a photograph (taken from an aeroplane) of the town of Brabant near the center of the picture. While in position on the left bank of the Meuse, houses in this village were used as points on which to adjust our fire. After the capture of the village, the regiment was in position on the extreme left of the picture, between the river and the road where they are closest together. The irregular lines are German trenches, the white dots are shell craters.

## CHAPTER III

### "WEST OF THE MEUSE"

In the attack of September 26th the 106th fired 2,550 rounds between 5:30 and 9:15 a. m., being about two kilometers from the front lines at the beginning of the attack. The regiment's objectives were all in the back area, such as second line trenches, ammunition dumps, crossroads and concentration points. On account of the thick haze, it is impossible to make any estimate of the results of this fire, other than that the attack at this point was entirely successful, the infantry capturing the towns of Forges, Bethincourt, Drillancourt and Gercourt. The regiment was now out of range for points on the left bank of the Meuse, so that during the next few days it was confined to small harassing fire to the right, mainly on the Bois de Chaume and Bois de Consenvoye, and the taking over and putting into condition two captured German batteries. The first consisting of three pieces of 150mm. howitzers, under command of Lieut. Toomey, was to the east of Gercourt; the other, consisting of four pieces of 150mm. Howitzers, under Lieut. Backus, was south of the same town. A quantity of ammunition was found at each position, and sufficient data to construct a tentative range table.

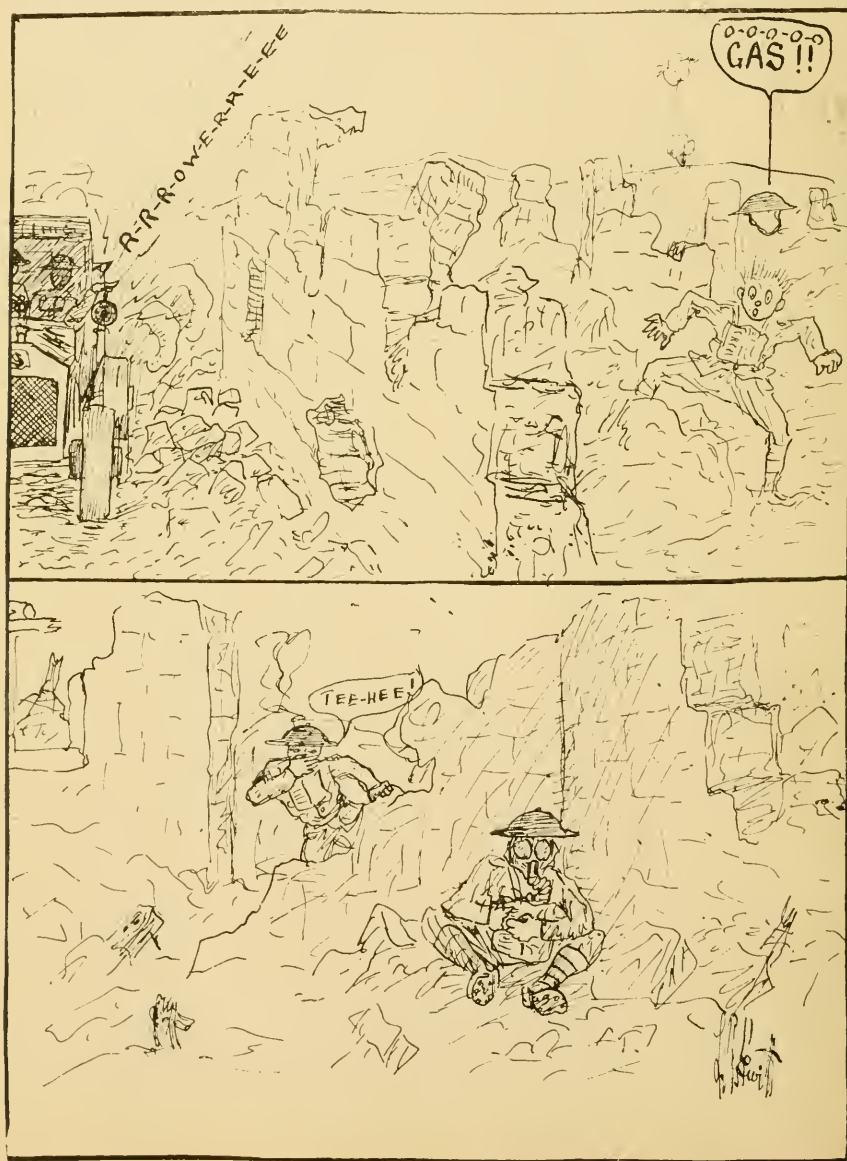
On the night of October 2nd-3rd the mobile batteries, A, B and F, forming the 1st provisional battalion, under Major Verbeck, moved forward toward Bethincourt. The road led through Cumieres and Forges, and for a long distance was under direct observation of the Germans on the right of the Meuse. Their continual shelling so congested the traffic that the Battalion was finally forced to send back its horses and park its pieces along the edge of the road during the day. On the next night, however, they were able to pull through without suffering any casualties, arriving at their new positions one-half kilometer to the east of Bethincourt just in time to participate at 5:25 in an attack by the 4th Division on our left. The points covered were enemy batteries in the Bois de Chatillon, Bois de Sartelles and the ravines east of Liny-devant-Dun.

On October 6th, the 1st Battalion was given a mission to destroy the Trench de Teton, a strong point in the enemy's lines which had obstinately resisted capture, and from which their machine gun fire had proven particularly effective. The adjustment was undertaken by Balloon Company No. 9, and completed despite the fact that enemy areoplanes forced the balloons to earth four times and finally sent one down in flames just as the observation was completed. The concentration put down on the basis of the adjustment was reported by the infantry to be entirely effective,

enabling them to capture the point, and winning a compliment from General Bullard. To days later, in conjunction with the 104th Field Artillery, and the 2nd Battalion of the 105th Field Artillery, who were placed in a "groupment" under the command of Colonel Emery T. Smith, the regiment supported an attack by the 29th Division on the right bank of the Meuse and the crossing of the river at Brabant by a detachment of the 33rd Division. This was the heaviest day's fire which the 106th delivered, 1,573 rounds being fired in the morning and 1,674 in the afternoon, and the infantry was successful in attaining its objective. The French battalion of the 308th Heavy Artillery was now detached and sent to another part of the front. In this connection an amusing incident which occurred to Major Crova may be recalled. On the afternoon of October 9th he received orders to move two of his batteries forward to the Ravine de Raffincourt and be ready to open fire on the following morning at 6:05 a. m. Word was sent to the batteries to have their horses brought forward, while Major Crova set out on a reconnaissance. It was then about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. He found the place without difficulty, but as he was picking out the exact location of his pieces, a sentry from a nearby Engineer outfit considered him a suspicious character and put him under arrest. Pleading and protests were of no avail. There had already been too many Boche spies prowling around in French uniforms. For an hour the major fumed and demanded to see an officer. But they were all out. Meantime it grew dark, and the batteries were waiting. At last an officer was found. Identification cards were produced; the telephone was put into service, and the major was set free with many apologies. Nevertheless, the French batteries negotiated the difficult pull over a hitherto untravelled road, and opened fire promptly at 6:05 on the following morning. It was a fine piece of work, which won the admiration of the regiment. On October 13th, fire was called for on the church at Sivry, several machine guns having been noted in the steeple. Lieut. Toomey's German Battery joined in its destruction, using a quantity of their own gas for this purpose. The work was thoroughly carried out as later inspection showed, but the enemy clearly recognized his own creation, for just two hours later he drenched his former battery position with gas and H. E. Lack of observation, however, fortunately prevented his fire from attaining the desired effect.

The regiment was now entirely out of range, and October 13th and 15th it moved forward and took position in the road leading east from Gercourt. Those were bad days and nights, of rain, mud and hills. Twelve, fourteen and even eighteen horses were necessary to pull the guns up the crest above Bethincourt, and once over, the Boche had an excellent view of the road. Fortunately, he appeared to have run into a bad lot of ammunition, for he was guilty of an astonishing proportion of duds. The

emplacements were all in the open, being under direct observation of the Germans from Haramount. The regimental P. C. was a former enemy gun pit, so well (or badly) placed that Captain Schohl was able to carry on an adjustment standing on the roof. But little more than a few rounds of harassing fire had been undertaken, however, before the regiment was relieved by the 15th French Colonial Division on the 20th of October, and spent three quiet days in washing and cleaning up in the pleasant, safe, rear areas of Bois la Villa and Chene Gossin.





## CHAPTER IV

On October 27th, the Brigade was attached to the 79th Division, under command of Major General Kuhn, which held the hilly sector of the Bois de la Grande Montagne on the right bank of the Meuse. The 106th on October 28th and 29th took over the positions of the 324th Field Artillery, situated along the Samogneux-Brabant road, which was parallel to the Meuse. The fighting in this sector was open warfare, the positions being uncomfortably exposed, and the enemy observation down the valleys uncommonly good. Moreover, camouflage was sacrificed to the end of keeping the Boche under pressure, so that engineer depots, supply dumps and picket lines were interspersed between the battery positions. Hostile shelling was therefore a constant factor, though fortunately not as destructive as might have been expected under these circumstances. Communications were good, so that despite limitations of observation into the ravines and valleys held by the Boche, the regiment was able to do effective work. Firing was heavy, during the period up to the signing of the armistice, a total of 10,611 rounds being fired in thirteen days, each shell weighing 95 pounds. It should be recorded also that "A" Battery, under command of Captain Burkhardt, was given the honor of being selected for counter battery work.

The first days of firing were demonstrations in support of an attack on Brioulles by the 4th Division, and occasional harassing and concentration fire when called for by our own infantry. On November 4th, began the hammering of the 79th Division through Bois de la Grande Montagne, which finally resulted in the capture of Reville, Etraye, and Crepion. This fighting was of the most desperate character, fire being called for repeatedly on the same positions.

Quotations from the Operations Reports of the 79th Division, November 5th-6th and November 6th-7th, illustrate the part played by the regiment during this period:

"Active accompanying, harassing, counter-battery and barrage fires put down by all firing units of the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade during the period. Observation greatly improved. At 13.35 hrs. the 158th Brigade called for fire on area from 24.3-86.0 to 24.4-86.5, where enemy were concentrated for advance. The 106th Field Artillery put down a strong fire on this point. The 158th Brigade reported that this fire broke up the enemy's plan for counter attack, causing great casualties and demoralization. This confirmed by a prisoner taken by the 158th Brigade. At 13.45



fire was put down on the Haramont-Ecurey road, which was observed to disperse and scatter enemy's troops and convoy at this point. At 14.15 enemy observed preparing gun position at 23.7-86.6. The 106th Field Artillery repeated fire on this position and destroyed same by obtaining a direct hit, which dispersed enemy workers. At 15.10, the 158th Brigade reported "whiz-bangs" in trench 25.8-84.9. The 106th Field Artillery put down fire on this point and French observer reported that fire was effective and whiz-bangs were silenced.

"Barrages, intermittent and harassing fire and counter battery fire carried on throughout the period in conjunction with action of our Infantry. At 8.30 hrs. the 158th Infantry Brigade called for fire on 25.4-84.35, where enemy machine guns were operating. Put down fire for destruction on this area, using the 106th Field Artillery 155mm. Observer reported fire effective and machine gun fire lessened. On further information from the 158th Infantry Brigade, we put down destructive and demoralizing fire on a point one hundred meters beyond this machine gun nest to silence other guns reported by the Infantry. Enemy was reported at 24.3-85.4 concentrating on and beyond the crest. 106th Field Artillery put down fire 155s on this area."



Infantry advances were just beginning to reward their persistent attacks and the regiment was again beginning to move forward to positions in the neighborhood of Ormont Farm and fit itself into some very nice German dugouts when hostilities ceased on November 11th. The horses were turned over to one of the Brigades going forward in the Army of Occupation, and the regiment, now immobile, was hauled back to Jardin-Fontaine, near Verdun, where it went into billets with the rest of the Brigade, until its departure for the Le Mans area early in December. Here



General Pershing at the Brigade Review.

it was billeted in three villages near Laval. The time was spent in disciplinary drills, cleaning, refitting, getting rid of cooties, and inspections. With the rest of the Brigade it was reviewed by General Pershing, who took occasion to comment favorably on the work of the regiment at the front.

Finally the three months of waiting came to an end, and on February 25th the regiment entrained for Brest, to undergo its final inspections and embark on March 3rd on the transport "America."

#### FIELD AND STAFF 106TH FIELD ARTILLERY.

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Lieut.-Col. Guido F. Verbeck	Manlius, N. Y.
Major Louis H. Eller	Buffalo, N. Y.
Major Robert W. Hinds	25 Gardiner St., Allston, Mass.
Major William H. Kennedy	71 Woodland Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y.
Major Bradley Goodyear	894 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.
Captain Walter D. Parlour	190 Masten St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Captain Harry L. Gilchriese	89 Minnesota Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.
Captain James H. Kenyon	New York, N. Y.
Captain Edwin C. Gutelius	63 North St., Sunbury, Pa.
Captain Henry G. Montgomery	New York, N. Y.
Captain John C. Grabau	180 Goodell St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Captain Charles D. Cromwell	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
1st Lieut. Floyd W. Hayes	108 Palmer St., Jamestown, N. Y.
1st Lieut. Vernon W. LeMaster	126 West Poplar St., Sidney, Ohio.
1st Lieut. Adelbert M. Sutton	100 Falconer St., No. Tonawanda, N. Y.
1st Lieut. John P. Kelly	West Bloomfield, N. Y.
Chaplain Peter J. Kroll	Royalton, Minn.



HEADQUARTERS, 52D FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

1st January, 1919

## General Orders

## No. 1.

1. The following communication from the Commanding General, 27th Division, is published for the information of this Brigade:

Headquarters, 27th Division, U. S. A., American E. F., France.

November 30, 1918.

Brigadier General Geo. A. Wingate,  
52nd Field Artillery Brigade,  
American E. F., France.

My dear Wingate,

It was very pleasant to read your letter of the 18th November, and to receive copies of the communications given our Field Artillery Brigade by the Commanding Generals of the Infantry Units which the Brigade served so efficiently.

I should be glad to have you convey to the Officers and Men of your Brigade my personal congratulations, and the pride which the entire Division feel in the magnificent record made by them.

It was a source of regret to all of us that circumstances made it impracticable for the Brigade to serve with its own Division.

The commendations, copy of which you sent me, will be published in Bulletin form for the information of the Division.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) JOHN F. O'RYAN,

Major General.

HEADQUARTERS, 52D FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE,  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

19th November, 1918.

## General Orders

## No. 21.

1. The work of this Brigade during the operation of the American Expeditionary Forces in the vicinity of Verdun from 26th September, 1918, until the close of hostilities, 11th November, 1918, is worthy of the highest praise.

2. Although it has not served with its own Division, the Brigade has met all the calls of the 33rd and 79th Divisions with whom it cooperated to their complete satisfaction, and with credit to itself. Its service was rendered under extremely adverse conditions, due to lack of equipment, animals and motor transport. That its fire under such circumstances was

always promptly, accurately and effectively delivered, was due to the unflinching determination of each officer and man to do his part regardless of hours, weather or danger, and to justify pride in his organization, Brigade and Division.

3. The following figures of the ammunition consumption show the volume of work required of the Brigade:

Organization	Number of rounds		Weight of rounds	
	Fired.		Fired(Lbs.)	
104th Field Artillery.....	66,782		1,001,730	
105th Field Artillery.....	81,096		1,216,440	
106th Field Artillery.....	33,036		3,072,348	
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Totals .....	180,914		5,290,518	

The Ammunition Train delivered 1,420 truck loads of ammunition at the Battery positions, most of it at night.

Battery A, 105th Field Artillery, held the record for the greatest number of rounds fired—15,166.

Battery A, 106th Field Artillery lead the Heavy Artillery in firing, with 7,429 rounds.

Gun No. 16948 of Battery B, 105th Field Artillery, fired the greatest number of rounds in the light regiments—4,049; while Gun No. 12748 of Battery D, 104th Field Artillery, led its regiment with 3,834 rounds.

Gun No. 3010, 106th Field Artillery, led the Heavy Artillery by firing 2,100 rounds. The fact that not a single gun burst throughout this fire, much of which was delivered at a rapid rate, shows the efficient manner in which the materiel was maintained.

4. The Brigade Commander desires that his appreciation of the work done and the effort that it entailed be understood by all.

GEORGE ALBERT WINGATE,  
Brigadier General.

HEADQUARTERS, 79TH DIVISION,  
A. E. F., FRANCE.

November 19, 1918.

General Order  
No. 21

The following letter from our esteemed Corps Commander is published to the command, with the knowledge that the sentiments expressed therein are reciprocated by each and every officer and man. This Division is to be congratulated for having won the respect and praise of a soldier so experienced and able as General Claudel:

## AT HEADQUARTERS

18th November, 1918.

The General Claudel, Commander of II Corps, Colonial Army.

To the Commanding General, 79th D. I., U. S.

My dear General:

At the moment of departing from the region of Verdun, I pray to express to your troops, staffs and services the thanks of the Commander of the II French Colonial Army Corps and of their French comrades for the devoted and generous cooperation which they have given.

The conditions of the fighting, of communications and the weather have often been very difficult, and I know that the 79th United States Division has spared neither its efforts nor casualties in the region of the Grand Montagne, Borne du Cornouiller and of the Cote de Romagne.

They have finally the merited reward of hurling the enemy back into the plain and of seeing him definitely withdraw from there.

I will never forget, my dear General, the cordial relations which have existed between us, and I pray you to agree to the expression of my devoted sentiments.

H. CLAUDEL,  
JOSEPH E. KUHN,  
Major General, U. S. Army.

P. C. 52D FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE,  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

29th October, 1918.

Memorandum

No. 384

To All Commanding Officers:

1. The following communication is published for the information of all officers and men of this Brigade:

HEADQUARTERS, 33D DIVISION,  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES, FRANCE

28th October, 1918.

From: Major General George Bell, Jr., Commanding.

To: Brigadier General George Albert Wingate, 52d F. A. Brigade.

Subject: Service with 33d Division.

As the 52d Field Artillery Brigade is being relieved from duty with the 33d Division, I wish to take this occasion to express to you my appreciation for the invaluable service and assistance rendered by it.

Every request of ours you have met with a uniform, earnest and efficient manner and your cooperation has contributed in a great measure to our success in the recent operations.

Please express to your officers and men my appreciation and sincere regret that the exigencies of the field service necessitate your separation from us at this time.

GEO. BELL, JR.,

Major General, U. S. A.

By command of Brigadier General Wingate.

I. J. LOVELL,

Major, Adjutant General,  
Adjutant.

HEADQUARTERS, 52D FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE,  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

November 18, 1918.

General Orders

No. 20

1. The following letter from the Commanding General, 79th Division, expressing his appreciation of the Artillery support of this Brigade, is published for the information of its members:

HEADQUARTERS, 79TH DIVISION,  
AM. E. F., FRANCE

18th November, 1918.

From: Commanding General.

To: Brigadier General George A. Wingate, 52d F. A. Brigade.

Subject: Commendation.

1. I desire to record my appreciation of the manner in which you and your Brigade have functioned in support of the 79th Division. During the recent operations North of Verdun, October 30th to November 11th inclusive, your Brigade was called upon many times for Artillery support and frequently the aid desired made it necessary for you to employ the full resources and capacity of your Brigade. You, your Officers and Men have always responded to the call of the Infantry with the utmost cheerfulness and enthusiasm and our Artillery support has been all that could be desired.

I beg that you will extend to your officers and men the sincere thanks of myself and the Division as a whole for their hearty and wholehearted co-operation.

(Signed) JOSEPH E. KUHN

Major General U. S. A.

By command of Brigadier General Wingate,

I. J. LOVELL,

Major, Adjutant General,  
Adjutant.

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## AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.

General Orders  
No. 232

France, December 19, 1918.

1. It is with a sense of gratitude for its splendid accomplishment, which will live through all history, that I record in General Orders, a tribute to the 1st Army in the Meuse-Argonne Battle.

Tested and strengthened by the reduction of the St. Mihiel salient, for more than six weeks you battered against the pivot of the enemy line on the Western Front. It was a position of imposing natural strength stretching on both sides of the Meuse river from the bitterly contested hills of Verdun to the almost impenetrable forests of the Argonne: a position, moreover, fortified by four years of labor designed to render it impregnable; a position held with the fullest resources of the enemy. That position you broke utterly, and thereby hastened the collapse of the enemy's military power.

Soldiers of the Divisions engaged under the First, Third, and Fifth Corps—the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 7th, 26th, 28th, 29th, 32d, 33d, 35th, 37th, 42d, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 82d, 89th, 90th, and 91st—you will be long remembered for the stubborn persistence of your progress,—your storming of obstinately defended machine gun nests, your penetration yard by yard, of woods and ravines, your heroic resistance in face of counter attacks, supported by powerful artillery fire. For more than a month, from the initial attack of September 26th, you fought your way slowly through the Argonne, through the woods and over the hills west of the Meuse; you slowly enlarged your hold on the Cotes de Meuse to the east; and then on the first of November, your attack forced the enemy into flight. Pressing his retreat, you cleared the entire left bank of the Meuse south of Sedan, and then stormed the heights on the right bank and drove him into the plain beyond.

Your achievement which is scarcely to be equalled in American History must remain a source of proud satisfaction to the troops which participated in the last campaign of the war. The American people will remember it as the realization of the hitherto potential strength of the American contribution toward the cause to which they had sworn allegiance. There can be no greater reward for a soldier or for a soldier's memory.

This order will be read to all organizations at the first assembly formation after its receipt.

JOHN J. PERSHING.

General, Commander in Chief,  
American Expeditionary Forces.

OFFICIAL

Robert C. Davis

Adjutant General.

TABLE I.

Battalion	Bat'y	Gns	Objve	From	To	Rate of fire per gun	Amm. Expd.
I. (106)	"A"	4	14	H	H+3h45	1 round every two minutes	450
Major Verbeck	"B"	4	13	H	H+2h20	45 rounds/Hour	440
II. (106)	"C"	2	5	H	H+1h	90 rounds/Hour	180
Goodyear			15	H+1h		in readiness—no firing	
		2	7	H	H+1h	90 rounds/Hour	180
			11	H+1h10	H+2h10	1 round every two minutes	60
	"D"	2	4	H	H+20	2 rounds per minute	80
			12	H+30	H+2h20	40 rounds/Hour	147
		2	3	H	H+20	2 rounds per minute	80
			12	H+30	H+2h20	40 rounds/Hour	147
	"E"	4	10	H	H+1h50	40 rounds/Hour	300
(Village of Drillancourt)			14	H+2h	H+3h45	40 rounds/Hour	300
III. (106)	"F"	2	8	H	H+1h	45 rounds/Hour	90
Kennedy			13	H+1h	H+2h20	40 rounds/Hour	110
		2	12	H	H+2h20	40 rounds/Hour	185
			14	H+2h30	H+3h45	40 rounds/Hour	100
	1st	3	6	H	H+1h	90 rounds/Hour	270
			10	H+1h10	H+1h50	1 round per minute	120
(Nerve Center)							
I. (308)	2nd	2	17	H	H+1h	90 rounds/Hour	130
			19	H+1h	H+2h45	40 rounds/Hour	140
	1	18	H	H+20	2 rounds per minute	40	
		19	H+30	H+2h45	40 rounds/Hour	90	
	3rd	2	1	H	H+20	2 rounds per minute	80
			8	H+30	H+2h10	40 rounds/Hour	133
		2	2	H	H+20	2 rounds per minute	80
			16	H+30		In readiness—no firing.	

After a careful study of mission, ranges, and nature of the objectives, Battery Commanders will determine projectile and fuse to be used.

(In the preparation for an attack and during an attack the mission of the heavy artillery is to concentrate on vital points within the enemy lines which are marked and numbered on the map and referred to by number. Such fire is called a concentration as distinguished from the barrage of the light artillery. The "H" hour is the moment when the infantry commences the attack and is only announced a short time in advance.

The above table is a copy of the concentration ordered for this regiment in the great advance of the First American Army on September 26, 1918. In this attack a battalion of the 308th French Artillery, mentioned in the order, was attached to the regiment.)

Headquarters Company







## HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

"Headquarters Company: Present or accounted for," was the report at its first official formation at Camp de Souge, France, during the latter part of July, 1918. From July 22nd to September 5th, the Company received extensive training in the various specialties, such as telephone and radio, orientation, etc. Soon after the course of training had terminated in a massive Brigade Barrage at the range to test our knowledge by practical demonstration, the eventful day of September 6th saw the Company entrain for the front.

## DIARY EXTRACTS

September 8th—Detrained at Longeville, near Bar-le-Duc at 7:00 a. m. Established a camp on a nearby hill situated about 20 miles from the front line. Received orders to leave for Issoncourt at 7:00 p. m. Hiked all night arriving at 6:00 a. m. the following morning—went to sleep at 8:00 a. m.

September 9th—Left Issoncourt 6:45 p. m. Hiked all night in the face of a hard rain—very disagreeable. Arrived at Nixeville at 5:45 a. m. the following morning. Went to sleep at 10:00 a. m. Ten minutes later routed out—orders having been received to collect the radio and telephone details and proceed immediately to Fromereville. Everything in readiness by the afternoon and left at 8:00 p. m. and arrived at Fromereville at 11:30 p. m.

September 11th—Telephone and radio system established and in order. Both stations established—also copied our first communique at the front from Eiffel Tower Paris and the meteorological data and standard time from Army Corps station at Souilly.

September 19th—Got our first baptism of fire from Jerry long range rifles. Town shelled but no casualties. Up to September 23rd Regimental detail functioned well with the battalion details. On this date orders were received to proceed to the vicinity of Dead Man's Hill near Chattancourt. Detail left Fromereville at 10:30 p. m. arriving at the selected spot at 3:00 a. m. the following morning. Colonel and Staff occupied the same dugout as the details which was of the corridor type with two entrances about 30 feet deep. Telephone and radio communication were immediately established.

September 25th—Shelled at 5:00 a. m. Dugout very damp and full of rats. French graves overhead—no damage incurred save for a few telephone wires severed and antenna wire cut by shrapnel.

September 26th—Opening of the great offensive. Barrage opened up at midnight. Beaucoup d'artillerie. Sky full of aeroplanes—barrage concluded at 6:00 a. m. during which time the detail was sweating blood—not through fright but work. The communique the following morning reported that 5,000 prisoners were taken and the towns of Malancourt, Bethincourt, Montfaucon, Cuisy, Montillois, Septsarges, Dannevoux, Gercourt, Drillancourt, and Bois de Forges. We advanced on a 20-mile front and penetrated to a depth of seven miles.

September 28th—Gassed at 12:35 a. m. No casualties. Eating well, steak, mashed potatoes, bread and butter and coffee au lait for supper.

October 4th—Artillery observers came over today and told us that they had a Jerry Battery spotted and wanted us to adjust on it this week when he flies over the lines.

October 5th—'Plane came over and we sent our call and adjusted "C" Battery on the target. Radio detail functioned well. Put Jerry Battery out.

October 17th—Orders received to proceed to Gercourt. Detail packed up, Colonel and Telephone detail went ahead in the morning—radio detail left at 3:00 p. m. arriving at Gercourt at 9:00 p. m. after a hard, muddy hike. Got chow at 11:00 p. m.

October 20th—Detail relieved by French Unit.

October 21st—Detail left Gercourt at 3:00 p.m., hiked all night up to 3:00 a. m. arriving at Bois la Ville very tired. All details assembled here.

October 22d—Left at echelon at Bois la Ville at 7:00 p. m. Arrived at Camp de Cinq Freres at 2:00 a. m. after a hard fast march.

October 23d—Drew all shortages and signed pay roll.

October 28th—Left Camp deCinq Freres at 4:00 p. m. arriving at Bois la Ville at 10:30 p. m.

October 29th—Orders received to proceed to front again. Had six days' rest. Detail left Bois la Ville at 10:20 a. m. Arriving in position near Samogneux at 4:00 p. m. Shelled and gassed on road to position—no casualties.

October 30th—Jerry let us try some of his sneezing gas during the night—no casualties.

October 31st—Heavily gassed and shelled all day. Telephone men had their troubles with cut wires. Several pieces of H. E. shell fell down radio entrance. Many casualties among nearby doughboys and engineers. Over a dozen horses killed on road nearby.

November 1st—Part of the Radio detail left for Vacherauville and drew transmitter set, amplifier and storage batteries. A heavy drag for seven miles.

November 2nd—Heavily shelled again. Not very comfortable eating out in the open along roadside with H. E. shell breaking all around us. Radio detail lost part of antenna about 1:00 a. m. while copying a communique from Paris. When the 103 F. A. pulled out whizz-bangs in valley took part of the antenna with them in the darkness. Found the missing part about 1 kilo away the next morning. Station in order again by evening.

November 3rd—The usual shelling. Chum of mine in "A" Battery had his head removed by shell just 100 yards from station.

November 6th—Gassed three times during the night. Rather hard operating with Tissots. Copy several bits of interesting news from England. Communique very encouraging. MSO sent out French communique in German so Jerry could read it readily.

November 11th—INTERNATIONAL DAY. End of the World War.

Busy day for telephone and radio details. Colonel very anxious about the news because it meant whether we should move forward or not. Beaucoup celebrating during the night. Had a dugout banquet of flap-jacks. Eiffel Tower sent the following famous message. "Grand Quartier General Des Alliées à Grand Quartier General Allemagne. Nous avons reçu votre radio de 15 heures. Ordres sont donnés pour que les attaques Americaines signalés sur le front Stenay-Beaumont cessent immédiatement. Signe Grand Quartier General des Alliées.

November 14th—Special A. E. F. muster. "Regimental detail present or accounted for," said the Sergeant Major—No casualties.

November 20th—Orders received to leave the front and proceed to Jardin Fontaine near Verdun. Left our little home at 9:45 a. m. arriving

at French Barracks at 11:30 a. m. Telephone and radio details got busy immediately establishing communication.

November 28th—Thanksgiving Day. A real thanksgiving. All details celebrated.

### CONCLUSION

No detail could have enjoyed more harmony or worked together so well as did the regimental detail. There were times while at the front when one part of the detail had to help the other, but everyone had to work and whether it was laying lines, telephones or radio, operating, messenger work, kitchen police or gas guard, it made no difference because after all we were just a cog in a great wheel that crushed the Hun.

### 1ST BATTALION DETAIL

The days at Germonville were quiet ones. Battery "A" at Charny, received its evening application of H. E. from a spiteful Hun; Battery "C" almost caught a spy, at the battalion P. C., a gas alarm caused some excitement one night and two men swore they were gassed. Everyone agreed that fighting the war in such palatial quarters was entirely agreeable.

Then came the change. Shortage of horses making it impossible to move the entire regiment at once, Batteries "A," "B" and "F" were picked to form the advanced battalion. About September 20th, the Instrument and Telephone men of the Battalion sallied forth towards the enemy lines, resplendent with queer looking instruments, maps and plane tables. Swinging through Chattancourt, the forbidding heights of Mort Homme came into view. And here for two days the business of reconnoitering, surveying and travers-



ing was carried on. Then one night up crept the batteries. By dawn they were working furiously beneath nets of camouflage—widening emplacements and hauling ammunition. Every one knew something was going to happen. For days the slopes of Mort Homme were seething with batteries at work. When a Hun plane came over everything ceased. The hill looked as dead as ever.

Then, on the night of the 25th the order came. Thirty feet under ground in the Regimental P. C., Colonel Smith, gave the order of attack. Our part did not come in until 5:30 in the morning of the 26th. Everyone stood "to" and listened to the wonderful preparation. All night long the heavies behind us sounded out their symphony of fate. Several times the stentorian shriek of gas alarms and everyone in their masks; at 3:00 a. m., a shell dropped through the Battalion Headquarters store-room, blowing a sack of potatoes and a case of salmon into a most delicious salad; at 4.15 a.m. the wireless aerials were carried away by another jerry shell, but dawn found the batteries at their posts, shoving 155 ammunition into the hot breeches as fast as the schedule allowed. The battalion linesmen showed their stuff that night as they did on the many nights to follow. German shells held no terrors for them and by their tireless efforts only was communication maintained to the forward observing station on the front slope of Dead Man's Hill.

The enemy having been driven beyond our range, on the night of October 1st—2d the battalion moved forward. This was the position in Ravin de Raffincourt. Living in abandoned holes in the ground—ground that had been the bone of contention for two years, a swamp in No Man's Land—the battalion did some of its most effective shooting. Three observing stations were kept busy daily, in addition to two balloons which had attached themselves to us. On the 9th of October while successfully completing an adjustment on a particularly nasty enemy machine gun nest, one of our balloons was shot down. The Observer escaped unhurt in his parachute and called up battalion headquarters an hour later to apologize for not finishing his work. He visited Captain Schohl the next afternoon who had a hard time convincing him that his work had been the means of a commendation from the Corps Commander to the battalion. Trench de Teton no longer existed as an enemy stronghold, thanks to the 155's.

The next position was northwest of Gercourt, and it was here the battalion detail showed its work. A long and dangerous line had to be run to the O. P., but exhausted wet and hungry as they were, the men never complained. Manning the O. P. was another problem as it was constantly exposed to bombardment by both H. E. and gas shells, but the long shifts were cheerfully accepted, and although we only used the



line once, the work was beautifully done. Battalion Headquarters was an abandoned German Gun Emplacement, and the three days the battalion remained there were devoted to turning this crude abode into a most comfortable studio. In fact the light and heating facilities were so good that Regimental Headquarters moved in with us on the second day of occupation.

But our comfort was short lived. On the 21st we moved out with the regiment and back over the many miles of devastation wrought during the Hun occupation, to a secure woods in the back area. Here the battalion enjoyed a week's rest and the luxuries of baths and clean clothes. The extermination of the well-known "Cootie," became the popular pastime.

Thus November was ushered in and with it our new assignment. The battalion assumed its normal proportions, and one night composed of batteries "A" and "B" moved out under a brilliant moonlight to its new sector. This time we crossed the Meuse, north of Verdun and pushing on along a steep bank passed unscathed through a harassing fire into what was destined to be our hottest position—near Brabant. The Artillery Brigade was now in support of the 79th Division and moving rapidly on the heels of the retreating Germans. The work for all concerned was of necessity hot. Fortune smiled favorably, however, on the 1st Battalion for the dug-outs—of German origin—were well protected. And well they might be, for the next three days were hectic ones. Jerry lambasted us with his 77's then shoved over some 105 Howitzers, much to the physical discomfort of the personnel.

Battery "A" was made the counter battery of the regiment much to the discomfort of several jerry batteries thereafter. Two of these spit-fires were known, so every time one of them started something, Captain Burkhardt was called up. In a few minutes jerry stopped. One afternoon a hostile battery was observed in action from the Battalion O. P. In fifteen minutes the battery, which had been firing furiously, had been silenced. A dangerous trench full of machine guns was later put out of business, and one morning a troop concentration in Trench de la Saucette was heavily saturated with H. E. The entire regiment took part in this and a hostile counter attack was broken. Successes followed rapidly here until, on the 9th of November, the battalion again moved forward in wake of the fast fighting Infantry, to a position near Ormont Farm—the scene of yesterday's most bloody conflict. Here amid the unburied dead an O. P. was quickly organized, and at 6:00 a. m. on the 10th the batteries were at work. That afternoon a line was run to the 158th Infantry Brigade in time to assist it in the last fight of this organization in the war. The excellent support rendered was mentioned by General Nicholson later in his commendation of the battalion.

## SECOND BATTALION DETAIL

On the journey from De Souge to Longeville, Pvt. Currinder showed great foresight by losing his pack out of the side door of our French "Pullman," keeping only his mess equipment.

Corp. Garvey was the first man in our Battalion to go to the Front, leaving at Longeville with Lieut. Merwin's detail which went at once to our first position. Corp. Bosworth with Corp. Whalen and Pvt. Kerr went from Issoncourt as a special observation detail to Fort de Marre where they were quartered with the French. Later on they came to our own O. P.

On the long hike, from Longeville to Issoncourt, that very dark rainy night, Les Frazier, during the halt for supper, took a much needed rest on a convenient and soft pile of crushed stone. When he woke up the entire company had disappeared.

On the night of September 16th when we were comfortably housed in the barracks at Baleicourt a young Monte Carlo was in blast. It was unfortunately interrupted by the arrival of some Jerry planes, said planes spilling several bombs in the vicinity. It was rumored that several soldiers in their haste to find appropriate shelter left considerable spoils on the floor.

September 18th to 24th at Germonville. Here we were introduced to Jerry's H. E. shells and his mathematical methods in sending them over.

September 24th to October 15th at Chattancourt. The telephone men had their special troubles in keeping up communications with the O. P. which was situated on a hill several kilos away. Nearly every day either Jerry or the weather put the lines out of commission, and at all hours of the night or day the phone men would have to start out to follow the wire on its course over shell holes and through barbed wire, down trenches and up over hills.





October 15th a liason detail of five men with Lt. Snell went up to work with the 33d Division Infantry and remained with them until October 21st.

On the morning in the next position at Gercourt the detail hiked during the day. This was a pleasant change from feeling one's way along the very uneven shell-torn roads during the usually pitch dark nights. When we reached Gercourt we found most of the dugouts already occupied by the French. The one available dugout was used as a P. C. and telephone central, and we had the experience of building a shelter for our instruments and materiel and sleeping quarters for most of the men. Elephant iron and lumber had to be dragged from various points when Jerry usually chose to send over his most varied collection of shells. We are more or less of the opinion that the real reason for the shelling of the heavy camouflaged Dannevoux Road at this time was directly due to the terrible clamor made by heavy elephant iron being spasmodically jerked along under the command of Sergeant Gerts, Jerry getting the impression that a regiment of heavy artillery was going through.

In procuring this lumber we had our first mix with gas. The fatigue squad of the detail in charge of Sergt. Gerts and assisted by Sergt. Burrell in an attempt to get away from the ex-German supply camp above Dannevoux with a wagon load of lumber, flapjack stoves, tar paper and tools piled on Cady's wheelbarrow were held up by a heavy shelling of the camp. What we first took for stringent powder smell proved to be sneezing gas. We all tied for first place in making our masks. Owing to the continued shelling, owing to the violent sneezing of Sergt. Burrell and Private Goodwin's inability to balance his side of the load while in mask, the expedition was temporarily postponed. However, we made it that afternoon. Completed and with its mud-baked fireplace it offered a cheery atmosphere for its occupants. Early that night the guard shouted gas and orders came to vacate the dugout, because the gas was mustard and the woods were supposed to be pretty thoroughly soaked in it.

Members of the detail passed the remainder of the night on an abandoned Jerry gun and in various odd corners.

A pleasant feature of Gercourt was the absence of rats.

Here the telephone men again had their difficulty with the O. P. line, Corporal Cady and Slim Bostwick, Currinder, Van Amberg of the 3d Battalion, Corp. Whalen and Sam Kerr, both temporarily assigned to the 2d Battalion, in laying the wire and repairing it, had to work under frequent heavy shelling. Bostwick seemed to be the special target for Jerry, and he was the recipient of a piece of shrapnel, the only wound or scratch bestowed upon the 2d Battalion.

When "C" and "D" Batteries moved their guns back to the rest areas,

our men were sent with them. "C" Battery's guns were pulled out of the mud and started on their way the first night, but "D" Battery's guns stuck fast. Seven husky men were left to help drag them along. Among them were Dwarf Goodwin, Dwight Kay and Dom Moroney.

We arrived at Death Valley November 9th. At this position the Major gave concrete expression of what had always been the guiding spirit of the 2d Battalion detail. "Go get it," said the Major, and we have done the noblest to keep our motto bright.

Also at Cote de Roches the fatigue detail became the sand bag fillers, and had time permitted, and had we not moved forward, we would have made an impregnable P. C. of sand bags, second only to Gibraltar in strength. Slim Bostwick at this time broke all records by making the largest pancake baked in Death Valley, measuring 23½ inches across.

### JARDIN FONTAINE

Famous as the birth place of that great battle cry "Steady Daly, Steady," and of Kay's plea, "Has anybody seen my little overseas cap?"

It was here also that we carried on a custom inaugurated at Cote de Roches of daily hot cakes, only here we made them nightly.

The 2d Battalion may be proud that it spent Xmas, 1918, in a stable, giving that anniversary a fine significance.

### THIRD BATTALION DETAIL

The 3d Battalion detail conducted their sojourn at the front in rather the form of a house party, which lasted a little over eight weeks. Some of the members invited were unable to finish their session owing to sickness, etc., but we had many others who were only too anxious to take their places. The detail, according to the inscription on Corp. Irving's pipe, took up their first position at Bethlainville on September 13, 1918. The telephone detail from this place laid a line to the O. P. on Hill No. 304, which was the longest metallic circuit laid during the war. Anyone doubting this statement need only ask the linesmen who carried the last reel of wire.

This O. P. was manned by four men. It was also at this place that Corp. Carl Waldroff suffered severe physical strain owing to lack of nourishment. According to the statement Carl sent home, he sure suffered, but Corp. Sharman, who was at the same place, gained four pounds. Figure it out, boys. From Bethlainville we moved to Chattancourt and got our first basement quarters, occupying two large dugouts. It was here that we first started our light housekeeping and which later developed into a first-class cafeteria. Owing to the fact that Corp. Grelinger was



always considered a willing worker and always out at the first blast of the renowned whistle of the premier sergeant, he was recalled to assist the work at the echelon.

The first night at Chattanooga the telephone detail was seized with a fit of wanderlust and wandered five kilos out of their route in laying a line to the O. P. in the middle of the night with gas masks on. Their alibi was that they were without maps and had an orderly for a guide who was trained to follow and not to lead. We will all remember the trip from Chattanooga to Gercourt. It was on that road that we had our most comfortable night's rest during our travels at the front. A bed of soft mud and rain and a hard pack for a pillow, and our esteemed officer, Lieut. Eller, for company. We passed four hours there until morning came, but breakfast

was A. W. O. L. Gercourt put us in mind of our radio operator, C. F. Sellstrom, who, being detailed to salvage some wire for the antenna poles, started off in quest of same. But Sell, being the original "Kid Quest," came back one hour later with three loaves of bread, a can of hash, and a box of German machine gun bullets. Sell must have been thinking of a few days back, when the larder was not so plentifully supplied.

It was also at Gercourt that we had the misfortune to lose our radio officer, Lieut. Eller. Oh, no, he did not get killed or die. Not that man! He got a better job, that's all. We had many and various occupations, but I guess Harry Van Amberg takes the fur cuff buttons. He must have been a great fisherman in the past, because while pulling in a telephone line he either forgot that it was hooked to "E" Battery switchboard, or else holds a resentment against them. At least the switchboards suddenly took French leave from the pup tents and started madly across the fields. The three operators were thunderstruck and immediately hurried after their pet. They came upon Harry while he was examining his catch. The only

thing that averted a battle was the fact that the major told Harry to break communication quick. It was a good thing he did not start fishing for duds.

Our friend Sergt. Major Lee Patton pulled a fast one on Corp. Bosworth, and Bossy has not recovered from it yet. Pat could not find his tin kelly and borrowed Jim's to go to the O. P., and on the way back Pat was hit on the head with a splinter and knocked down. "Poor hat," said Pat, and continued his journey, but when Bosworth saw his kelly he enumerated certain facts to Pat that he will never forget.

From Gercourt we moved to Bois la Ville, near Baleycourt, for a five days' rest. We were pretty comfortable there until Corp. Harry Gregory bathed and changed his underwear. Such action on Greg's part was fatal, for the underwear was infested with little creatures that afterward proved to be very close companions of Greg's. They were congenial companions, too, and they "took" from the first. Yes, we all got them later. We moved from there to Cote des Roches, south of Brabant, to take up our work against the Hun. The first day there Corp. Gregory sent "Brownie" (who is the smallest man in the company) to salvage some wire. Brownie, like an obedient soldier, true to his corp's order, wanders all over the country and unused dugouts, tramping over valuable souvenirs in the performance of his duty. Suddenly he hears a gas alarm in the distance. He immediately clapped on his gas mask and crouched in a convenient dugout. Corp. Gregory, after waiting several hours for the wire, decides to look for him.

While walking by some old dugouts he is startled by an apparition in a gas mask, with the sweat dripping from him standing in the doorway. It was "Brownie," and the gas alarm was an auto on the nearby road. Shortly after this happening we received the first news of the signing of the armistice by radio, and then we moved to another position, but did not fire from there. On November 20th we left the front for Jardin Fontaine, near Verdun, and from there toward home.



Salvage Duffy on the job



## BAND SECTION.

The band had been in pup tents for one night after the company had moved up from Baleycourt, on the top of a hill, when orders came to be ready to move with full packs at 5:00 a. m. the next morning.

Tents came down and packs were rolled up in a half an hour. There was much speculation as to where we were going. Some said to Paris to enter the school suggested by Gen. Pershing to train the A. E. F. bands. By 5:30 we were ready at the adjutant's office awaiting transportation. At 6:00 p. m. we piled into quad trucks and reached Thierville by 1:15 p. m. It was pitch dark, and which made it difficult for the men to locate their packs. At the intersection of the two roads an M. P. cautioned us not to speak above a whisper and, above all, not to strike any lights.

In the meantime Band Leader Max Rauchstadt had reported to the major of the 108th Sanitary Train, who ordered him to pick out nine musicians and go to the hospital at La Glorieux. We lined up along the road, every man being impressed that something important was coming off before many hours elapsed. Whether it was nervousness or being in a high state of excitement which caused our leader to turn pale and speak in a husky tone of voice cannot be said definitely, but as he called out the names of the men who were to go with him his voice betrayed his feelings.

Wetherby, Zeitler, Welker, Burke, Iwanski, Lewenicht, Gillon, Lawton and Marshall were the men to fall out. Not one knew why or for what, but as we fell out in obedience to orders and started away from the rest, it dawned on us that we were going to the hospital away from the front, away from those who had been our comrades for so long. Sergt. Wetherby turned to Mr. Rauchstadt and asked to be excused from going to the hospital, said he felt his place should be with the others. Welker, too, went back, and Deitz took his place. Burke inquired as to where he was going, and on being told that it was to the hospital asked permission to go along with the others, but was refused. After protest on his part, in which he expressed his disappointment not to be allowed his one big chance to go to the front, permission was granted. A remark was passed which may be worth while quoting to this effect: "Gee, Tom, I only wish I were a little stronger and I'd go, too!"

An ambulance took the men picked out back to Glorieux, while the others were given Red Cross brassards and shown to a room in a shell-torn building. There they opened their packs and, incidentally, a can of corned willy and a few boxes of hard tack. All were very tired, and it was not very long before all were asleep. At 11:00 p. m. everyone started up, for a good reason. The big naval gun had just gone off starting the big barrage. A short time later we were taken up in an ambulance to the ad-

vance first aid station. We remained there until 5:00 o'clock the following morning. We were given stretchers and a bag of rations, and then we went out along Dead Man's Hill, relieving the regimental stretcher bearers of the 131st Infantry. Welker, Benson, Hodge and Seifert carried back the first patient. He was riddled with machine gun bullets. Burke, Niery and Zimmarino, on their way back with a patient, had to lie down on the ground to avoid splinters of several shells that were coming over at that time. We made several trips to bring back wounded men, and about 9:00 p. m. German prisoners came in, and we then used them to carry the wounded.

On September 28th we were on relay post from Cumières to Forges Woods. On October 8th we followed the third attacking wave of infantry over the top. We crossed the Meuse under a heavy barrage, and on that day Johnson and Perry were gassed, and Curtis was shell shocked. We then took up a relief post at Consenvoye, two days after the Germans had left there. On October 19th we were relieved and brought back to Thierville in an ambulance. The major at Thierville lined us up and commended us for the excellent work which we had performed as stretcher bearers. At Glorieux we rejoined the rest of the men who had been left there when we went to the front. We then rejoined the company at the echelon at Bois la Ville.

## HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 106th FIELD ARTILLERY AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

February 5th, 1919

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Corry, Frank C.	1st Lieut.	26 Loomis St., Montpelier, Vt.
Jones, Geo. H.	2nd Lieut.	1790 Division St., Portland, Ore.
Hadden, Crowell	2nd Lieut.	11 Montgomery Pl., Brooklyn, N. Y.
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Battery “A”



## BATTERY "A"

On Monday, September 9th, the firing battery was hauled to the front with Quad trucks and the rest of the battery left for Baleicourt with the horses and caissons. Our active participation in the great war had commenced. The battery arrived at Charny about 9 o'clock of the evening of the tenth and succeeded in putting three guns in position before the break of dawn. The wires were taken over from the French and the battery switch-boards and phones were speedily installed. The heavens cut loose torrents of rain and the cannoneers received their first dose of French mud. At five o'clock every one was sleeping in the fairly comfortable dugouts.

Meanwhile the men with the horses and caissons were struggling through the mud to Baleicourt. It was a hard trip and both horses and men were at the point of exhaustion when they reached the first battery echelon.

During the three days before the supplies reached Charny, the battery subsisted mainly on abandoned bread which the French had left and which was edible after the portion which the rats had enjoyed had been cut away. The supplies finally arrived and with Lieutenant Wagner as mess sergeant and Privates Gallagher and Szczecinski as cooks, a very tasty meal of corned beef fried in gun grease was prepared. It was a culinary triumph but nearly ruined the St. Mihiel demonstration.

Captain Burkhardt adjusted the battery from an observation post at Fort Bourrus and Corporal Smentkiewicz earned the commendation of the B. C. for his speedy and accurate work with his piece. The situation was very dramatic and the town of Brabant was being rapidly demolished until down in the inner recesses of the fortress a band



started to play some "Jazz" music and the Captain found himself ragging the commands.

The battery fired an eleven hour barrage to fool the "Jerries" into believing that something was really going to happen and it worked. German artillery was concentrated on our front and very promptly something did happen;—on our right, the 1st American Army reduced the St. Mihiel Sector.

The battery finally moved to Chattancourt, directly in the rear of Dead Man's Hill. The dugouts were wet and muddy in this position and the battery was troubled with an epidemic of "gold-fish." The ammunition train in close co-operation with the battery dumped the "Hummers" and "Loafers" somewhat less than a mile down the hill near Chattancourt. The cannoneers had a stiff job carrying that consignment of steel up the hill night and day for a week.

The barrage of the 26th of September, that memorable day when the Huns were dislodged from Forges, Bethincourt, Montfaucon and other positions, was in itself a great reward for the labor attached. From 5.30 a.m. until 9.30, the Germans received a concentration of fire that made previous demonstrations appear as hailstorms. The enemy counter-preparation was weak and ineffective.

The next position was on the Forges-Bethincourt road. In this position, there was an absolute absence of dugouts. The telephone central was a small box, accommodating one man, and the rest of the battery used shelter-halves. The post of command was in the detail wagon and the officers slept standing up. The detail had an exciting time and a strenuous one keeping communication with the O.P. open. The O.P. was in the Bois de Forges, Privates Boland, Beers, and Brown particularly distinguishing themselves working under severe enemy fire.

Lieutenant Wagner, the executive officer, became ill with appendicitis and was forced to leave for the Base Hospital. He had been with the battery since it left Buffalo and the organization lost in him a hard and conscientious worker.

Lieutenant Richardson became executive officer and remained as such until the end of the war. He was a very popular battery officer and will always be remembered as "Jake, doggone it." "Dudley, did you see my gum?"

Gercourt, the next battery position, was a heart-breaker. As usual, the battery moved in a pouring rain, the boys were drenched, and the guns were not in position until 5 a.m. Many a miserable "Soldat" would have welcomed a bursting shell that night as a release from his misery. Captain Burkhardt while on a reconnoissance for an



observation post, wandered inadvertently into "No Man's Land" in the vicinity of Dannevoux Woods and discovered his position by inquiring of a "dough-boy" patrol, the position of the front line.

One gun was taken for repair to the Mobile Ordnance Repair Shop but the battery got along nicely with the other three. Again, in this position, the battery was forced to resort to "pup" tents in the absence of any dugouts.

The battery echelon had moved successively from Baleicourt to La Claire and then to the Forges Road. The work was very monotonous, continual grooming, grazing and watering of the horses, until the men were nearly at the end of their patience and every one longed to be with the "firing battery." First Sergeant Shea had his troubles trying to convince the drivers that their work was just as essential to final success as the cannoneers'. Corporal McBride sprained his ankle when the horses ran away with the detail wagon. He tried to mount the seat, to work the brake, and was thrown violently, sustaining injuries that necessitated his removal to the hospital. Around this time the battery as a whole commenced to fight a separate war with the "cooties." Charlie Chaplin's idea of a nutmeg grater would have been very popular if such an article had been an issue.

The battery departed for Camp Chene-Gossin, near Dugny, where it was supposed to rest. It rested by grooming the horses, and cleaning the harness from 7.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. each day. Colonel Smith was deeply hurt whenever he found mud on equipment, but his sense of injury did not approach that of a cannoneer, up to his knees in mud, trying to convince the horses that the Chariot de Parc was not meant to be stationary.

The battery left Chene-Gossin on October 28th, taking up position at Brabant sur Meuse. An observation post was established in Forges Woods in a tree, which had previously been used by the Germans for observation purposes. The battery attained, in this position, its highest efficiency, several times opening their counter-preparation offensive within three or four minutes after the "S.O.S." from the Infantry came over the wire, and at one particular time destroyed a German transport train on the road. The battery fire also created great havoc among the enemy machine-gunners. The co-operation with the Infantry was as near perfection as is possible to attain.

However, although Brabant was the most successful position in a military sense, the battery sustained at this time its only casualties at the front, and the members of the battery lost a true comrade, Louis J. Boland. In the late afternoon of October 31st, an order had



been issued that all unnecessary wheel material should be removed to the battery echelon. Several members of the detail, under Sergeant Herrmann's supervision, were unloading the detail wagon, so that it could be removed to the rear, under cover of night. The enemy dropped a shell, directly in rear of the battery position and almost instantly another shell screamed harmlessly overhead, landing just across the Meuse. Sergeant Herrmann directed the men to seek shelter, but scarcely were the words uttered when the third and last shell fell three yards in rear of the wagon and a flying fragment struck and instantly killed one of the battery's hardest workers, "Dutch" Boland. The same shell wounded slightly Privates Olin R. Beers and William G. Caddy. The same day Corporal I. M. Williams was slightly wounded by a flying fragment. In addition to these casualties there had been one during training. Pvt. Alex. Pulaski was killed during mounted drill at Campobello.

The enemy's artillery continually shelled the vicinity of the Battery's position, one night in particular, cutting the telephone wires to the guns and forcing Sergeant Herrman to crawl out with the aid of Corporal Kamholz's camouflage wire, to determine whether the operator at the guns, Private Schneider, was still able and healthy enough to be about. At this time, Corporal Kemp was relieved as line Corporal by Corporal Symons and sent to motor school. At the same time Corporal O'Leary relieved Corporal Barth as Ammunition N. C. O. Corporal Barth had acted as Company Clerk, 1st Sergeant, Supply Sergeant and Ammunition Non-Com, since the arrival at the front and had capably filled the multiple job with great efficiency and to the satisfaction of all. Sergeant McKay left for motor school but the other Chiefs of Section, Sergeants Bridenbaker, Quinn, Kubiak, Kaznowski, Von Daacke and O'Donnell alternated with the Gun Sections, securing A1 results until finally every man in each gun section at the gun position could capably fill the Gun Corporal's shoes, and Howard H. Burkhardt had made and finished off the model battery of his dreams with every man able to do the other man's job, and had established himself as one of the best if not the best Battery Commander in the 52nd Brigade. The Special Detail had also reached a high point of efficiency and no job could feaze them either laying a long O.P. line or keeping one in operation in the face of heavy shell-fire. The effective work of Sergt. Weaver cannot be forgotten.

Lieut. Odom was assigned to the battery about November 7th and remained with it until the signing of the armistice. On November 9th, the battery moved to Ormont Farm and fired at the last objective, the Hill Romagne, that separated the infantry from the plains of the Woevre, and

the taking of which spelled disaster to the enemy. The detail attained their wildest dream—an O. P.—only one kilo distant, but at this juncture the enemy deemed discretion the better part of valor and signed the unconditional surrender. "A" Battery celebrated by sleeping.

After a few days of comfort at the last position, which had been turned into winter quarters, the battery hiked to Jardin-Fontaine and the battery history again merges into the history of the 106th.

The men of Battery "A" will never forget their comrades who labored and fought by their side in the Argonne, nor will they forget their officers—the Little Napoleon, Lieuts. Lillie, Wagner, Richardson, Hall and Odom. It is fitting before we conclude this record to inscribe our appreciation of the tireless devotion and noble zeal which our leader always manifested. His fair judgment and kindly integrity shall be remembered long after events and happenings have been forgotten. And as the days make us older, our maturity will strengthen our regard and forever cement those lofty qualities into our souls as a tribute to our captain, Howard H. Burkhardt.

Let us try and try hard to maintain for the years to come the same spirit and firm adherence to duty. The habits we have formed, if practised, will bring the success we seek, equal to the success we sought in those troublesome days; and the record of what we do will then conform to the record of what we did. So will the years to come be as pleasant to recall as the associations and happenings of those days, now passed are now delightful to think about. Then will those ideals which we have cherished and fought so hard to preserve be the means of placing "Old Glory" as the first in war, the first in peace and the first in the hearts of her countrymen.

#### "THINGS TO REMEMBER."

"J. B."

"Trixie."

"Little Napoleon."

"The first supper at Charny; Corn-willie à la Gunoil."

"Uniform for air raids (O. D.), woolen underwear."

"Imaginary gas."

"How everybody rides in the Field Artillery."

"What's the matter, men? The horses are doing all the work."

"The Rest Camps."

"Tanner's aerial raid on the kitchen."

"That waterless bath at Souilly."

"Corp. Ike's method of removing a friend's boots."

"When the ammunition train brought the shells up to the gun pits at Chattancourt." "Oh, yes, they did."

"Sergt. G. D. Bridenbaker cautioning his men, 'Blankety, blank, etc.'"

"The Baltimore Flash."

"Mike, there's some difference between mass and mess."

"The Heavenly Twins; paw and me, too."

"Christmas Day in Argentré, or who stole the goose?"

"Battles of Gradignan, Bordeaux and Cognac Hill."

"Last but not least, 'Liver hash.'"

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Battery "B"





### BATTERY "B"

Back in America—back home again! Who would have believed that less than two years after we entered the service at Buffalo we would be through with our job and ready to be mustered out. Yet such is the case. Our time in the army, though short in comparison to the years of work and fighting endured by the Belgians, the British, and the French, has nevertheless been as varied as anybody could possibly wish for. We saw about all there was to see.

We left the United States on the U. S. S. Matsonia on June 6th, 1918. Arrived at St. Nazaire, France, on June 18th, after a trip featured only by its lack of excitement. We stayed in St. Nazaire for seven days, leaving by train on June 26th, and went to Gradignan, where we were billeted in the Chateaux Lange. While in Gradignan we had our first experiences with the French people and their customs, as we were practically living with them. Our time was spent drilling and learning what we could of the 155mm. Howitzer by the absent treatment method. After being in Gradignan for nearly a month we hiked to Camp de Souge, leaving Gradignan on the evening of July 21st, arriving at Camp de Souge after a six-hour hike. While at Camp de Souge we received horses, at least they called them horses, and our 155mm. material. While there we had our first experience with French artillery, and our impression was favorable as far as accuracy was concerned, but we found it much harder to handle than the 4.7's we were accustomed to.

After training for more than a month we finally left on our way to the front, leaving De Souge on September 4th. After a three-day ride

in box cars we arrived at Longeville, which was as close to the front as the railroad could take us. We went into a temporary camp for a day. Leaving Longeville, we started our hike to Baileicourt, which was to be our first echelon. All our movements were made at night, and the men and horses rested during the day. We arrived at Baleicourt on the night of September 11th. While here we were inspected by Maj. Gen. Bell, of the 33d Division. Battery "B" was picked by the inspectors as the cleanest and best battery in the regiment. Batteries "A," "B," and "F" were selected as the advance batteries of the regiment and were filled up to full strength with men, horses, and materiel from the three other batteries. At Baleicourt we experienced our first bit of excitement at the hands of the Germans in the form of an aeroplane bombing. Although the bombing was not very close to us, it seemed to be, and everybody was pretty much excited.

The Battery left Baleicourt to take up our first position on September 21st, arriving in a position near Chattancourt, and also near the well known "Dead Man's Hill." The gun positions had been old 75mm. emplacements and had to be enlarged and improved. It was here we first employed camouflage, the success of which was probably one of the main reasons for our good fortune in having had no casualties. On the evening of September 25th we received our first data for firing what was to be part of one of the largest artillery preparations ever attempted in the war. Battery "B" was given data to fire 440 rounds, each gun firing 110 rounds. The executive officer for this problem was Lieut. Herbert, assisted by Lieut. Wright. The chiefs of section were Sergt. Mulkern, Sergt. Barrett, Sergt. Dorman, and Sergt. Blake. The gunner corporals were Corp. Entress, Corp. Gabriel, Corp. McMahon and Corp. Stachowiak. The gun crews were all picked men with the most experience. Here we learned that war wasn't altogether a pleasure. It was a very hard matter to induce the ammunition trucks to run up to the position, and the greater part of our ammunition had to be man-handled, most of this work being done by the gun crews, as there were very few extra cannoneers. While in this position we were shelled a bit, some of the arrivals landing pretty close to our guns, but doing no damage. It was here that a squad of men was taken from our battery to go forward and take over a battery of German guns that had been captured, together with a lot of ammunition. Sergt. Blake was placed in charge of this squad, with Corp. Stachowiak as his gunner. Sergt. Rinker was then placed in charge of the fourth section, with Pvt. Finsterbach as acting gunner. The men given Sergt. Rinker were all green men, but afterward turned out to be one of the best gun crews in the battery.

We left Chattancourt on the night of October 2d to take up another position forward. We were held up on the road for seven hours by shell fire and by a bridge being blown up just ahead of the battery. On this account we had to pull our guns to the side of the road and put the camouflage nets over them. The battery went back to Germonville, which was its echelon, to wait until the next night. We left Germonville at 4:30 p. m. on October 3d and arrived at where the guns were placed just after they had been shelled by the Germans. The guns were pulled back on the road and we started over Forges Hill, a hill that was constantly under fire. We were shelled with some shrapnel and a little gas, but, as usual, no damage was done. We arrived at our position about 3:00 a. m. on October 4th, and were told to get our guns ready to fire at 5:30 a. m. At the same time the usual work of camouflage and building positions went on just the same. We did not fire until the next day. We were in this position two days, when it was decided that the guns were too close together, and the second and third pieces were moved to the right of the battery. It was in this position that we did the most firing and that the machine-gunners of the battery had a chance to use their guns on the Boche aeroplanes. We left Bethincourt on October 15th and laid on the road for twelve hours waiting for the batteries ahead of us to get over the hill. After having coffee and bread we continued our hike to Gercourt, arriving there at 11:00 a. m. on October 6th. We were in this position for five days when we were relieved by the French. On the 22d of October we arrived at a camp near Sennoncourt, which was to be our rest camp. While here we worked on horses and materiel and had a chance to get cleaned up a bit ourselves.

We were now attached to the 79th Division. We left our rest camp on October 27, crossed the Meuse River and arrived at our new positions, which were all dug and ready for us to go into, at 10:30 p. m. on the 28th. The 158th Brigade had been in this position, so there was plenty of ammunition, and things were pretty easy for us. In this position the batteries on either side of us were heavily shelled and had several casualties. Some of the shells were landing very close and splattering our positions with dirt and stone, but doing no damage. It was believed for a time that we would be in this position for some time, and lumber and sand bags were ordered to complete the emplacements and build dugouts for the men. While in this position we had balloon observation, and the effect of our shots was sent back to the gun crews. It made the work a lot more interesting. It seemed to make the men work harder when they actually knew that they were doing some damage. This was one of the best positions that we were in and we were sorry to receive the order to move.

We left Samogneux at 6:30 p. m. on November 9th, arrived at Ormont

Farm at 10:30 p. m. that night and fired the next day. The data for firing one of the problems was given to a battalion of the light artillery and to our battalion. "B" Battery fired the first shot of the problem, and both "A" and "B" were firing some minutes before the "lights" opened fire. This was a test problem, neither of the outfits knowing that they were being tried. "B" Battery's speed and accuracy earned for it another commendation. The next day the armistice was signed, our battery firing up until the last half hour. The news of the armistice was told to us by Lieut. Col. Verbeck. He read us an order that our work was to go on as usual. We continued work on our gun pits and started dug-outs. On the 17th of November a field day was held between a detachment of Headquarters Co., "A" and "B" Batteries, which was won by "B" Battery, "B" Battery scoring 29, "A" 22, and Headquarters 20 points. On the 18th we were taken over ground that we had fired upon from the last two positions. On the 19th our guns were pulled out of position with auto trucks.

At 8:30 a. m. on November 20th we left Ormont Farm, marching to Thierville, arriving in that place at 3:30 p. m. We were put in barracks at Jardin-Fontaine, an old French Military Academy. On the 23rd of November we took a hike through Verdun and went up to some of the forts around the city. We left Thierville at 8:45 p. m. on December 10th. We arrived in Argentré on December 14th and were placed in billets on the property of the French people. It certainly seemed good to be back in civilization once more. While here we turned in all our guns and materiel. Our time was spent at close order drill. On the 30th of January we were reviewed by Gen. Pershing, and the brigade was complimented on its cleanliness. About this time we started having embarkation inspection of equipment and cleanliness. This battle of inspections was the worst one of the war, and we were glad when we received orders to leave for Brest. We left Argentré February 26th, entrained at Laval and arrived at Brest on the 27th. We had breakfast and started for Pontenezen Barracks, the road to which was up hill most of the way and very tiring. We had our final physical examination, and on the morning of March 3d we had a full pack inspection and were reported ready to embark. We left Pontenezen Barracks at 1:30 p. m. and marched to Brest, getting on the lighters at 4:00 p. m. and aboard the U. S. S. America. We laid in the harbor that night and put out to sea at 2 o'clock on March 4th.

And now, after nine days on the water, we are home again. But while abroad we learned a great deal, some of which we rather expected and some of which surprised us. We found that most of the ideas about field artillery which we had gathered in the States were wrong. We



found that the artilleryman carries the same pack and the same rifle as the doughboy, with the additional privilege of being allowed to spend hours putting on drag ropes and lifting on wheels, while those four-legged beasts called horses, whose work we were doing, "turned around and laughed at us. It also dawned upon us that artillerymen *do not ride* and that a battery does not dash up in double section column and do action right. Far from it! The cannoneers personally see that the guns are drawn out of ditches and mud holes and over hills, and then, with the same individual care and attention, they pull and shove each piece into its appointed place.

But, though our deeds are dull compared to those of the more spectacular branches of the service, still we do not regret our lot. We had none of the infantry's personal contact with the enemy, netting visible deaths and many prisoners; we had none of the dash of a chasse squadron, with its thrilling encounters above the clouds and the opportunity for—and almost certainty of—numerous citations; we had none of the romance of the tank corps nor the chance to operate, and fight in, their almost impregnable moving fortresses. But we have had what is and must be our only reward—the knowledge that, working under the most adverse conditions that a regiment could possibly encounter and survive, with horses unworthy of the name, and with men untrained by a preliminary taste of a "quiet sector," we nevertheless went forward with an undertaking that was a drudgery and, by working day and night with all our might, achieved a result which, though unwritten in newspaper stories and unnoted by the world at large, nevertheless was the one desired by the advancing infantry and one which reflected the greatest of credit upon our regiment and our brigade.

This must be the artilleryman's reward—the consciousness that his mission is fulfilled—for he can get no other. This reward is ours, and as the years roll by we can look back and feel that where efficient artillery is concerned the 106th Regiment and Battery "B" are second to none.

### "B" BATTERY SECTION OF THE "JERRY" BATTERY.

On September 27, 1918, the fourth section gun crew went forward to take over German guns which were taken in the drive of September 26th. Lieut. Toomey had charge of the gun crews and the Jerry Battery, the name by which we were known. We had a good opportunity to see the trenches that were held by the Germans prior to the drive. We arrived at the former German gun position at 3:00 p. m. September 27th and received a hot reception by the German 77's. The first gun pit of the battery was torn up badly by our fire of the day before, and the Germans had to

get away with such haste that they did not have time to make their guns unfit for use. The Germans had left over 1,800 rounds of shell and plenty of powder. Being only about 1,500 yards behind the first line trenches, we were shelled badly. On September 29th we learned the art of firing Krupp's Pride. The next day we fired our gun as a test, and it proved O. K. This was followed by the men in the gun crew taking their first wash in five days, using a shell hole as a basin. On October 13th we fired twenty-five rounds of Jerry's own shells at him and received about eighty-nine in return, and they sure did come, but we all came out safe.

## MEMBERS OF THE GUN CREW.

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Pvt. Rasp.	Pvt. Murphy.
Pvt. Quinn, Frank.	Pvt. Borthwick.
Pvt. Goldberg.	Corp. Dewey.

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Battery "C"





### BATTERY "C" ON THE FRONT.

This little skeleton history covers but one part of our military career—the real part. It is the only part anyone wants to remember; the rest was a nightmare at the worst and monotonous waiting at the best.

Therefore, let all prologues be supplied by our own recollections, and up goes the historical curtain upon Battery "C" on—

September 4th, 1918. Battery passes through the main gate of Camp de Souge at 10:30 p. m. in fine style, everybody riding but the cannoneers, cooks, mess and supply sergeant, etc., etc., aggregating about 75 per cent. of the battery. "Join the artillery and ride."

5th. Pulled into Bonneau railhead at 12:30. Our first and only experience at loading French artillery and horses on French cars. Once was enough. Left Bonneau 6:40. At breakfast our first introduction to canned goldfish.

6th. En route. Sick horse falls down, carries three others with him; beaucoup broken legs and finally four dead horses left at Orleans for the butchers to handle. Doc Campbell, the Tennessee vet., remained in observation in officers' car until it was too late to save the horses. This aroused the ire of Major Verbeck, who seems to have given Doc a helpful talking to. Later Doc said: "Major Verbeck seems to hold me responsible for the death of those horses; in fact, he told me so, but he was so nice about it that I *couldn't* take offense."

7th. Bar-le-Duc about 10:30. About 5 km. beyond we side-tracked

at Longeville, a little station with an unloading platform. Unloading time 1 hr. 55 min. Pulled up into a steep valley and camped. Pulling in here we had our first and last broken wheel, when a fourgon, with Happy Eldridge on the box, smashed a back wheel and tipped over, throwing Happy for an aeroplane glide on a tender part of his anatomy. Here also our first and last machine-gun barrage. First aeroplane guard. Rubber boots of no use for months, salvaged just on edge of the mud zone.

8th. Everyone swims in Longeville canal. During afternoon moving orders come. Battery is split up into firing battery and combat train, and here begin the diverging histories of the "*position*" and "*echelon*."

*Position.* Guns were motorized, temporarily, at least. They were ordered to move to the front by truck with the following personnel: 1 sergeant, 1 corporal, 9 cannoneers and 1 mechanic. Capt. Goodyear and Lieut. Robins went up ahead by auto on reconnaissance. "Three days' rations" supposed to be issued; in the rush this turned out to consist of two cans of corned willy and a loaf of bread for whole outfit.

Guns pulled out about 1 a. m. after all kinds of trouble tying the guns to the trucks. Turns taken at tending the brake, which was an arduous job, especially as we hadn't learned to use cushions yet. Beaucoup stops and delays, *beaucoup* rain. We seemed lost most of the time, but maybe we weren't.

*Echelon.* The guns having pulled out with all the battery officers, left the responsibility of forty-mile night march to the front with combat train on First Sergt. Amrose's shoulders. All he got was a staff map with route marked in pencil. This was turned over to special detail to ride ahead with and leave markers. Trouble begins immediately. Chariot slumps into a hole. "E" Battery pulls across our only exit to the main road and halts for some time. Then a rising wheel driver hits a tree and a bridge pier. Night was spent on the road and nothing happened save the breaking of three poles and everybody soaking wet from the deluge of rain.

9th. *Position.* No rest all morning, just occasional halts en route when some rope or chain broke. Finally halted on the National Highway near Nixéville to await nightfall. Here camouflage nets and material issued, some of the precious bread and corned william eaten, guns overhauled and camouflaged, and a little sleep gotten. 6:30 pulled out again. Just beyond Nixéville, Ruper's gun broke loose on a steep hill and smashed into the truck behind, putting it out of action. At Fromeréville picked up a French guide and Lieut. Robins. 9:15 pulled out of Fromeréville on the last seven kilometre hitch. Gale of rain. Gasoline runs out on one of the trucks and another truck takes its place. Last rations are left behind on the stranded truck. Still another truck breaks steering knuckle, causing

A-1 traffic jam. Three sections finally get up to assigned position before dawn.

*Echelon.* During the early morning we slowly crept up on the combat trains preceding us and finally caught up with them. About 9:30 a. m. we arrived at Issoncourt and stopped to rest both animals and men. Here we had a meal and slept until 4:00 p. m. Lieut. M. M. Marcus was here placed in charge of the train by Major Eller. After mess the men were given a lecture by Lieut. Marcus, and we again took to the road at 5:30 p. m.

10. *Position.* At daylight three guns were under camouflage at the position, the fourth three kilometres down the road. The men got a little sleep during the day. Many woke up in the afternoon with the "hives." They kept them until we finally got rid of them at Louvigné. Nothing to eat or drink but some Goodyear-Newman bouillon cubes. Some gas property came in—gloves, etc. It never did any good except to fill wagons and trucks. We got our first views of German aeroplanes and French archies. Truck with rations reported to be on the way. We experience our first light shortage, all candles having given out.

*Echelon.* Followed various roads until about 9:00 p. m., when the column was definitely lost. Consultation by officers. Course changed for about an hour, then another consultation. After being lost three times during the night, we were finally directed to the right road and proceeded toward Nixéville.

11th. *Position.* Some horses came up early from the rear and got the second section gun into position. Lieut. Hanson and Sergt. Gilbert went back to the echelon with them. No sign of ration truck. Later word came that it got lost at Fort de Marre and was back at Gernonville. In desperation, foraging party sent back to Verdun under Corp. Herbert and returns in afternoon with beaucoup eggs, sardines and *candles*. Also some men salvaged a can of bacon and a little coffee.

*Echelon.* 8:00 a. m., arrived at Nixéville in very fine slough of affectionate mud. As soon as the horses were cared for and the men rested a bit, the harness was cleaned. With no cleaning material but dirty water the results can readily be guessed at. Lieut. Marcus, while cleaning a supposedly empty pistol, pulled the trigger. Result was a hole through the roof of the billet and a lieutenant badly scared with his own gun-play.

Left at 6:30 p. m. for Baleycourt. Beaucoup trouble, beaucoup stuck wagons. Lieut. Marcus, complete with sou'wester, oilskins and rubber boots, heaved desperately on a stuck fourgon wheel for some time without success, when he happened to look into the wagon. There were thirteen forms asleep therein.

12th. *Position.* Preliminary data for fire showed battery to have to

cover a new sector. So picks and shovels borrowed from French (we had none) and casemates remade.

Wagonload of rations arrives at last, along with long-awaited truck. Reich elected cook from the cannoneers, and the battery had a meal for the first time in four days. Two buglers and some special detail men came up to complete the happy family.

Firing orders came in during the evening, which showed that something was really up. We became acquainted with those pests known as "anti-lueurs" among the French.

*Echelon.* Arrived Baleycourt woods 4:00 a. m. Lieut. Marcus retires utterly exhausted, leaving five wagons stuck in the mud. Lieut. Marcus revived quickly in the morning when Major Kennedy found him being served breakfast in bed. As usual, we had to change billets after getting well settled.

Lieuts. Smoot and Litehiser (the latter complete with trunk locker, Lowney's chocolates and a campaign hat) blew in from Is-sur-Tille and assigned to battery. Harris commences to run the buckboard express.

13th. *Position.* Hour 1 a.m. All guns fired with little break for rest of night and all morning. Fastest fire was two rounds per gun per minute—not easy for hour at a time. Two guns slipped hopelessly and almost carried away dugout walls beside them. Hard work got them back into place, and there they were blocked, giving fine service thereafter. Coffee for breakfast, two guns at a time. The morning was full of sweeping fire, ten hand-wheel turns every three rounds. It was gotten off without any loss of speed. The double zero charges ripped everything to pieces, including a breech cover, some slickers and a casemate roof.

At 11, when it was all over, we learned we had helped in the First Army's first great attack—the St. Mihiel battle. Also we had got off our first fire on the front with success.

Rations came up without delay to-day by the use of the surrey, drawn by Harris' pets.

*Echelon.* Lieut. Marcus relieved and sent back to his battery. Lieut. Hanson took charge for good.

14th. *Position.* News through French papers of St. Mihiel drive. Tobacco all out—everybody desperate. Our introduction to C. P. O. gas gun drill with French looking on and laughing. Shell carrying to replenish our supply began in earnest, especially to second platoon, 400 metres up the hill. Prarie took it too seriously and fainted on the way up with 100-pounder. Instruction of every cannoneer on laying of guns begun.

Capt. Goodyear (after explaining all about C. P. O.'s, etc., and that guns were laid on them at all times when idle). "Deuschle, what are these guns laid on?" Deuschle (confidently). "On the O. P., sir."



First reconnaissance by Capt. Goodyear, Lieut. Robins and special detail men from Belle Epine Fort. It was the first view of Germany and the trenches by members of the battery.

*Echelon.* Intensive grooming, feeding and grazing schedule went into effect to-day. Everything eats and rests but the men.

15th. *Position.* Beaucoup shell carrying. Ammunition rearranged. Even the special detail carried shells. Corp. Morton, our redoubtable munitions N. C. O., gets his system going. Six complete checks of ammunition. O. P. established near Belle Epine and telephone line laid. Two American balloons brought down by German flyer, who then got away. The French nearby looked black, but the Americans cheered.

*Echelon.* Two inspections by the colonel during the forenoon, results—two enforced “understandings” between the C. O. and Lieut. Hanson. Trade with Battery “A”—74 good horses and 35 men for 28 poor horses. Battery now demobilized. Picket line a vet. hospital.

16th. *Position.* Battery had first calibration on the front. First round at 8:00 a. m. Capt. Goodyear fired the battery. Target, a house in Brabant. Range 9,000 metres. About ninety rounds fired. Three direct hits on the Brabant house. Meyers, a regular cook, arrived at the position to take over Reich’s job.

*Echelon.* Evening. A buzzing sound overhead, searchlights and a terrific explosion. We were being bombed. After the Boche plane had passed on, Doc Campbell was spied coming out of a dugout with his gas mask on.

17th. *Position.* Discipline wave hit battery. Gun drills, daily inspections, bunk dressed, gas masks looked over, camouflage discipline, wired paths. Machine gunners have developed a beautiful camouflaged pergola, where they solemnly stand guard, taking notes on the airplanes passing overhead.

Pavesio has made a wonderful gasproof by sacrificing some O. D. blankets and salvaging some lumber.

Daily rat hunts.

Special detail busy at map making, panoramic sketching from O. P., and running. Runner for the five kilo hike to Germonville at 3:30 and 6:30 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. regularly, and often at any other hour.

Gun squads working daily to get emplacements in fancy shape.

*Echelon.* We moved to a new echelon in the village of Baleycourt during the afternoon, and for once had fairly clean billets. Just got settled when the evening’s grazing began. Beaucoup Boche planes in the skies all day, unhampered.

18th. *Position.* Our only view of a German dirigible to-day.

19th. *Position.* Complete gun crew sent back for a rest to the echelon.

20th. *Position.* A move forward looks likely. Big reconnaissance party goes out under Major Verbeck to look over Chattancourt region. Major Eller relieved, putting Capt. Goodyear in command of Second Battalion and Lieut. Briggs in as B. C. Lieut. Robins, with fifteen trucks of ammunition, and an advance detail consisting of Sergt. Gilbert, Corp. Munce, six men from machine gun squad and two men from each section left for Chattancourt about 10.00 p.m., just avoided a lot of shells at the cross-road and pulled in about midnight. Occupied an old cellar in town.

*Echelon.* 14" gun put into commission behind us commences to fire. A large number of Boche planes around trying to get photos. Ammunition details commence. First detail goes out in charge of buck Private Lee. First sergeant getting gray hair. Ten men left to graze sixty horses. All wrong.

21st. *Position.* Nothing doing at battery. Advance detail got busy digging emplacements and putting up camouflage. That night a large amount of ammunition sent up to Chattancourt position by truck. Reinforcements for advance detail come up with the trucks. Mort Homme road begins to jam up every night.

*Echelon.* Same thing as yesterday. Groom, water, feed and graze and another ammunition detail. Topper aging fast.

22nd. *Position.* Corp. Graham becomes advance detail mess sergeant, with the duty of trying to get up hot food without tools or fuel. Hard work on gun positions.

*Echelon.* Plenty of action in rear of billets to-day. Fanchette 3rd and Midinette 4th, French 15" rifles, arrive there. We commence to pack, ready for departure. Sergt. Martin begins daily trip to position with rations, buckboard being now transferred.

23rd. *Position.* No doubt now of impending big operations. Artillery coming in wholesale. Truckloads of pontoon bridges, supplies, rations and ammunition going by. Advance detail begins to move ammunition to positions from dump at Chattancourt, 400 metres. Forty centimeter railroad ripped out by truck traffic, so hand carrying only is left.

False alarm that battery is coming up keeps Sergt. Gilbert up all night at crossroads as guide.

*Echelon.* Moved from Baleycourt to Bois la Ville at 3:00 p. m. Still on the road at dark. Plenty of congestion, as entire brigade is trying to move in at once. Finally get settled at 10:00 p. m. in filthy barracks. Supposed to squeeze 400 men in a billet capable of holding only 150 men at the utmost.

24th. *Position.* Order comes to move battery to Chattancourt. Con-diment cans, overseas caps, blankets, spare parts stored at old position

for salvage. Corp. Murchie, spare men, cook and orderlies left behind in charge of property.

Corp. Newman sent back to old position as guide.

Four guns with a fourgon left old position at 8:00 p. m., each drawn by ten Battery "A" horses. Fourgon started late, missed the turn at Charny, and the whole battery took wrong turn in Chattancourt, and only got back after loss of valuable time and effort. Then followed the worst jam we saw at Chattancourt. It seemed as if a thousand trucks were bogged between the town and Mort Homme. But luck was with us, the guns all threaded their way through and were quickly put into position.

*Echelon.* Concert in morning by 315th Infantry Band, and doughboys got orders to prepare for move. We are the lucky ones to police up the barracks, which are knee deep with straw and rubbish.

25th. *Position.* The hardest day of the position's adventures. It may be summarized as follows: Camouflage nets, trail circulars, trenches, dug-outs, SHELLS. Every man going at highest speed that tired men can. Beaucoup raw shoulders and broken gas masks. At end of day camouflage was secure, circulars and platforms were built, shallow emplacements were finished, fifty tons of ammunition carried by hand the 400 meters from Chattancourt to the position.

Aquilino gave out carrying shells, elected himself cook and for over a week did marvels on no equipment. Corp. Munce, having got over machine gun barrages at Longeville, and so having nothing much to do, became assistant with Eckrose as K.P.

11 p.m. First artillery barrage fire heard off to our left. Nice cold night, nobody sleeps.

*Echelon.* We are shelled with long range rifles by jerry. Preparations made in evening for advance next day.

26th. *Position.* 3.30 first call. Fog, aiming posts moved way in. 5.10 Gas! (our first on front). Sergt. Busch is gassed, Corp. Herbert takes charge of section. 5.30 Fire! 2 rounds per gun per minute with gas masks on in a fog. Some rounds lost with masks on, but "All clear" given and losses are caught up. Air screaming with thousands of rounds of all calibers hustling toward Germany.

Suddenly the long-awaited happens. Hun shells land in position. Eight duds land behind No. 1 gun. One just misses third section gun muzzle; cuts through camouflage, explodes near trail, putting holes in a rifle, mess kit, two shelter halves, two canteens, trail handspike, Danler, and Herman. Herman soon patched up, but Danler, our first casualty, evacuated and has never got back. Another shell almost blows machine gun squad to kingdom come.

By 7.30, "cease firing" given, then nothing to do but carry shells,

clean guns, serve coffee to wounded doughboys and watch the German prisoners go by. Over 700 went by position during day.

*Echelon.* Arose 3.30 a.m. Made packs ready to move, but did not leave all day. Salvaged largest part of harness. Went to sleep full pack as we were not allowed to unroll our packs.

27th. *Position.* Carry shells and more firing, this time on the east bank of the Meuse.

*Echelon.* Batteries A, B, and F, pulled out at 4.00 a.m. Rumors of C, D, and E, being motorized. Reports come in that advance is going fine.

28th. *Position.* First clear day without much to do in a long time. Everybody washes and shaves. No. 4 gun has some neatly placed shells land near.

A squad of "C" men goes forward to man a German battery captured on 26th. Boyack tries to get wound stripe by shooting self accidentally. Fails.

*Echelon.* Still waiting to leave but nothing doing. Fanchette and Midinette firing one shell every five minutes on Dun-sur-Meuse. Range 29,200 meters.

29th. *Position.* We lose two of our best men, Brehm and Ceier. Sgt. Brehm ordered to Saumur, where he later made good at Officers' Training School. Mechanic Ceier strained himself and has to go to hospital for rupture.

*Echelon.* Horses inspected by Major Veterinary.

30th to October 12th. *Position.* Not much but routine. After many freezing nights, blankets finally issued again. Also Widger, our famous front line cook, finally came up to relieve our amateurs whose best became monotonous soon. Sgt. Martin comes up every night in a truck with a fair supply of rations, also several fine dividends of mail, mostly months old, but the first since Souge. Also Sgt. Sauter gets up supply of winter underwear, new socks and more shoes, just in time, for most of the shoes were done, socks were mostly absent, and breeches let in the breeze.

Lieut. Litehiser ordered up to position.

Horn reports to Battalion Headquarters as Agent. As an Agent he was a very fine cook.

On the 6th, 7th, and 8th we supported infantry in the capture of the Consenvoye, Chaume, and Brabant woods, and towns of Consenvoye and Brabant. Rest was counter-battery and registration. Air service offers aid but Fokkers say no.

O.P. had been established about 6 kilometers away, to which a line was laid in spite of energetic machine guns. Target practice with the

45's. Leonard starts a spy scare, aided by mysterious stuffing of a primer vent. Baker ripens experience at salvaging.

Infantry has consolidated big gains, putting us out of range and almost in the S.O.S., so we are due to advance.

*Echelon.* We commence to get heavy winter clothing in quantities. Men are wondering why they had to salvage the precious rubber boots.

Lieut. Jebb, a Buffalonian, brings down a Boche plane while the boys watch. A great crowd gathers to see the Boche aviator. Capt. Keeler protects the prisoner by drawing his pistol on the crowd. Barrack roof collapses under weight of enlisted men using it as a bleachers. Souvenir hounds on the job.

Horseshoers busy making paper knife souvenirs out of gas tank of the downed plane.

4th. We hear and see tremendous barrage being laid down by our forces at 2.00 a.m. No reports arrive.

5th. Scout Horn finds real chocolate and grapes at Nixéville. Grocer so tickled with advance of Americans that he sells entire winter supply of chocolate to Horn. Jerry again shelling us. Large pieces of 240 mm. Austrian relay shells fall around. Detail from battery goes to front with 20 Supply Company wagons trying to succeed where trucks had failed.

8th. Beaucoup mud and rain. We get bombed for 4 hours at night. Railhead at Baleycourt principal objective. Lieut. Kelly's helmet never gets cold these days.

9th. Jerry came over and French archies spent busy afternoon trying to down him when allied plane gives him a chase. Another ammo detail to the front.

10th. Another air-raid this evening. Plenty of powerful searchlights sweeping the skies. We were paid this afternoon.

11th. Jerry stockade established at Fort Regret. Beaucoup inmates and the boys get Beaucoup souvenirs.

12th. Inspected by Capt. Goodyear. We get fourteen horses.

13th. *Position.* Order comes to be ready to go. 2.00 p.m. guns pulled out and limbered. 3.00 p.m. Lieut. Robbins, Sgt. Gilbert, Corps. Lester and Best, and Lane leave ahead to look over new position. They get to Gercourt by hoofing and bumming truck rides (shades of the mounted service). New position found to be mass of *new* shell holes in a swamp, with no dugouts near. Pup-tent and gas-mask night. Beaucoup H. E., beaucoup phosgene. Gilbert goes back at dark to guide battery up, but never meets battery which took another route on its own hook.

Horses (Battery "A") come up just after dark, but truck jam delays



start till 10.00 p.m. Route is via the Chattancourt-Cumieres dirt (mud) road and then by the camouflage boulevard to Forges. Here the trouble begins.

*Echelon.* Running short of hay and oats. Five squares a day for horses interrupted, to the joy of the drivers.

14th. *Position.* Midnight tolls from the Forges church bell just as all four guns stick. Then all guns stick again at Raffincourt—four kilometers in six hours. Breakfast from hospitable Battery "B" kitchen. Horses, having proved themselves superfluous, started back to echelon, then recalled. Unhitch, then water, feed. Then "C," "D," and "E" go ahead as battalion under Major Kennedy. At Bethincourt, 24 horses hitched to a gun. Terrible hill road negotiated by one section safely. All rest of battalion held up by shell-fire on the exposed downslope. Finally all guns get over in turn, and get to position beyond Gercourt.

Afternoon spent in usual stunts laying, camouflage, shell-carrying. Rains cats and dogs. Position 350 meters through deep mud from ammunition dump on the main road. Everybody up all night, shell carrying until 4.00 a.m., then getting guns ready for firing.

15th. *Position.* X hour 7.30 a.m., and we haven't enough shells. Two guns fire while everybody else carries shells. One gun plows back into shell hole until unfireable. Other gun has to execute fire alone, for a while at three rounds per minute. At the end of the four hours' firing we just pulled through with the required expenditure, chief mechanic double-timing 200 yards through the mud with the last shell.

Rest of day spent as usual, carrying shells and cleaning guns. Beau-coup rust after the rainy hike. Carrot stew for mess.

*Echelon.* We get our Christmas package coupons. The regiment gets 107 new horses during evening, making "C" mobile again.

16th. *Position.* Another downpour. No protection other than pup-tents. Battery telephone central and P.C. constructed out of two shelter halves and five yards of tar paper, brought in by Corp. Lester from an O.P. reconnaissance under the Major.

Corp. Best sustains a mean shell wound and is evacuated with Sgt. Reeve of "D." Carrot stew for mess.

*Echelon.* We draw 44 horses.

17th. *Position.* Rain, cold, firing. Our position is a swamp, everybody sleeping (?) in pools of water. Executive's shelter especially wet. Sgt. Burton found a comfortable spot, but was awakened rudely and beat a hasty retreat when a 155 rifle fired directly over his chosen bunk. Carrot stew for mess.

18th. *Position.* Good day at last. Blankets out, mud scraped off everything from faces to plane tables, drying, shaving, washing. No. 1



gun calibrated. A feather in the battery's hat, for "C's" calibration showed dry powder. Our powder boxes were probably the only dry articles in the position. Carrot stew for mess.

*Echelon.* General order comes in prohibiting the taking of lumber by Americans. No mention made of the French depredations.

19th. *Position.* Col. Smith and Lieut. Berteaux made an inspection, ordered gun-pits dug, but made no hints as how to drain them in the swamp that we occupied. Major Kennedy also inspected, and ordered cannoneers' shelters and circulars. Everybody drops shells and crocus cloth and gets busy with pick and shovel. Lieut. Litehiser: "Leonard, get that pick swinging faster." Leonard: "I can't do it, sir; not on carrot stew."

We fired off and on all night. One order was a mouthful—Base deflection left 806. It took an hour to shift the trail which then was clean out of new trail circular and straddling new cannoneers' trench. Good-bye, trench!

Executive (to Corp. Herbert, a gunner of twelve months' standing and the best in the regiment, who has carried O. A.'s all day and fired O. A.'s all night) "Are you *sure* you are firing O. A. shell?"

Later. Executive Officer returns to check up Corp. Herbert's laying.

Chief of section: "You had better keep away from the Corporal, sir; he's very nervous to-night."

*Echelon.* Message received at 3.30 p.m. asking how many available pairs could be put under harness. Mounted inspection in afternoon. Orders come in at 10.00 p.m. to proceed to La Claire with all available horses. "C" Battery pulls out with 78 draft and 18 single mounts at 1.30 a.m.

20th. *Position.* Battery ordered to get ready to move. Property carried out to main road, including Sgt. Burton's famous gas property. Last-minute firing order handled without any hitch. 10.00 p.m. horses come up. They belong to "C," which has been made mobile again by the arrival of 100 French plugs. Packs ordered rolled, so of course it rains harder than ever.

*Echelon.* Pulled out of La Claire 4.30 p.m., arrived at position 9.30. Very muddy and raining heavily making the roads all but impassable.

21st. *Position.* Little trouble getting the guns out at 1.00 a.m., when moving orders come, because mud too wet to be sticky. New horses work fine until Bethincourt. Here three guns take wrong road, and we get them into shell holes trying to turn them around, in ex-No Man's Land. Then the horses quit cold, but two doctors take charge and get us out in good time. (They should be Colonels in the artillery.) Then they gave us all hot chocolate. Nearby were some kitchens of our

Wadsworth friends, the 1st Pioneers, where everybody gets a hand-out.

Stop between Bethincourt and Esnes, 12—3 p.m. Stop beyond Esnes 6—10 p.m. Unhitch, water, feed, tie to trees. Another handout from the 45th Pioneers.

Our new horses quit cold again on the big hill beyond Béthelainville, so cannoneers pull one gun and fourteen horses up at a time.

22nd. Echelon finally reached about 8.00 a.m. Everybody very spry (?). Horses, guns, harness cleaned without any cleaning material. Order to move to another echelon expected; luckily it never came. We seem to be going to get a few days rest.

23rd. Lieut. Schutt leaves for 2nd Aviation Training Center. His loss felt badly, for he had made good with both officers and men. Cleaning done over again. Some equipment issued including overseas caps which are great after seven weeks of helmets. We begin to look clean again.

24th. Delegation of lousy men marches full pack to Glorieux for a bath, finds none there, and marches back again. Nice warm day. Were the cooties biting when they got back? For the stay-at-homes a bath house is built—equipment one bucket.

25th. More "cleaning," without saddle soap or oil.

26th. Mounted inspection, not very brilliant showing. *Of course* one man has his rifle in the boot when dismounted.

27th. Caissons turned in—no horses to pull them. Range finder almost salvaged. Detail that manned German guns reports back. Fourteen replacements from Camp Jackson assigned to the battery, and in no time are doing standing gun drill and grooming horses while the old timers take a bath.

Mess Sergeant Martin leaves for Saumur Artillery School and 1st Cook Sears succeeds him.

28th. We are transferred to the 79th Division from the 33rd, the latter having gone to the St. Mihiel sector. Lieut. Queen attached to battery as we are packing up under orders to move into position. Battery formed at 3.00, with a real column of 12 vehicles this time. We hiked clear to Thierville without trouble except one dropped shoe replaced on the road, and the temporary loss of combat train, thanks to the M.P.'s. At Thierville some brilliant guy turned the rolling kitchen onto the Douaumont road. Lee sent after them on bicycle and covers most of Meuse sector before returning to organization the next day.

After dark, battalion halted to eat, and everybody gets fed but the special detail (just imagine!). Our new outfit, the 79th, shuffled by us in the dark, bound for the trenches. A little later we went by our first

position, now silent and unoccupied, and crossed the Meuse bridge in a hail of shells, just "over."

For a wonder it was a clear night. We had no trouble at all until arrival at new position. At Vacherauville the whole column except the guns and a fourgon, turned off for new home of waterers, groomers and feeders.

29th. *Position.* New position reached about midnight. Found big hole and stretch of sticky up-grade and mud between road and position. This was signal for horses to quit as usual. All guns stuck badly on way in, but cannoneers executed usual heaving heroics in time to have battery in before daylight. Here we found an innovation—beaucoup ammunition already in the emplacements. Loud cheers. Also found the position to be a filthy hole and playground for doughboys out on reserve-rest duty. Regular landmark on aerial photo.

*Echelon.* Stopped on road for quite a long while after firing battery pulled away. Road running to echelon so muddy that wagons had to be unloaded so as to proceed through. Supply Sgt. and three privates left at crossroad on guard.

30th. *Position.* Most of day spent on obstinate camouflage nets. Corp. Morton and Lieut. Litehiser work up new ammunition scheme based on the extra squad brought along with us. Regimental P.C. is located fifty yards from us. Peace seems very far away. Battery "D" rolling kitchen ordered to feed the Battalion. Everybody gets to know kindly doughboy cooks just behind us.

We got on intimate terms with the intermittent volleys and the well known voice of the executive: "Load." "Report when ready to fire." "R-e-a-d-y!" "Ba-a-tt-er-y F-I-R-E!" Whang!

*Echelon.* Finally established in the Meuse Valley at Vacherauville on canal banks. The men begin to salvage elephant iron and sandbags and commence the construction of dugouts. 1st and Supply Sergeants are fortunate and find two large dugouts on the crest of the hill.

31st. *Position.* Lieut. Merwin requests that upper two guns only be used at night. His dugout is falling to pieces.

*Echelon.* Calls run a little later because of the winter darkness. "C" and "D" work in co-operation on the picket lines. Another combination is Dizzy Compton and Gumshoe Lee on mail delivery. Brzezinski finds a winter cap and 7 suits of French underwear. Chocolate obtainable at 50c. a bar.

November 1st—3rd. *Position.* Fairly easy time. One balloon-observed calibration fire which took all afternoon, used up all of our best powder, and go no results. One sample report was, "direction good, range good."

*Echelon.* Nov. 1st. 3 Corporals and 11 men depart for motor school. We construct splinter proof parapets along the picket lines.

Nov. 2nd. Meals excellent. Beaucoup hot-cakes. We are feeding the battalion echelon. Joslin makes a 75 cake iron and is rewarded with a two foot diameter cake.

Nov. 3rd. Order comes in to prepare to move one platoon of the battery at 2.30 p.m. Order cancelled at 3.30 p.m. Another order issued for move of entire battery.

4th. *Position.* Battery "C" ordered to prepare to move to Ravin de Boussieres, a ravine running off Death Valley and about two miles ahead. Advance detail sent up ahead to make a road into position. Telephone line laid to new position. Detail reports beaucoup shells and gas.

*Echelon.* Echelon ready to move. Boche planes bring down balloon near us and escape. Air raid in evening. No damage done. Raid centered on Meuse bridge.

5th. *Position.* Detail working on new position reports progress small because of continuous shelling. Pleasant prospect. Lieut. Briggs goes back to inspect echelon. Comes back with teams to pull one platoon to new position. At Samogneux they are held up by gas concentration and go back.

Horses return late evening. No. 1 and No. 3 guns pulled out and hauled the four miles around by Samogneux and up Death Valley. The last 350 meters up the ravine are a terror. No road or track, mud a foot deep, shellholes only partly filled in and repaired. As usual cannoneers pick guns up and get them in somehow in spite of the horses. Halfway up a flock of gas shells burst right by the guns. Drivers forget how to put masks on horses, but plugs survive anyhow. Then hail of shrapnel bursts near wagons on the main road. No one hurt but wagons unloaded at double time, believe us. Lieut. Briggs returns to old position leaving Lieut. Robins in charge.

*Echelon.* Big open air Y. M. C. A. concert given for the entire valley. All men allowed to attend.

6th. *Position.* Guns not finally coaxed into position until 10.00 a.m. Smart time then made; ready to fire at noon. Baggage and shells hauled all afternoon on improvised Décauville railroad left by former occupants. Telephone net laid out. Central and P.C. are very deep German dugouts, also very damp and very lousy and very ratty.

Second platoon pulled up with same difficulties during evening. Last bit even worse from rain during the day. Horses give the usual negative help.

*Echelon.* We inspect a large dud which had been sent over the previous night.

7th. *Position.* Fire by first platoon. Second platoon gets into position. O.P. reconnoitered by party from battalion. Fine tales of dead bodies come back.

*Echelon.* Horses returned back from position at 7.30. All men feed and get sleep. Rumors of peace come in.

8th. *Position.* Heaviest fire in weeks executed during night. Our only case of gun overheating from continuous fire. Battery "D" drags its way in, and sandwiches in between our guns. Truly a unique battalion. Rumors come in that German delegates have petitioned for an armistice.

*Echelon.* Pvt. Hoechenberger tries a barrage on 104th F. A. with disastrous results to himself. Capt. Goodyear gets majority. Congratulations.

9th-10th. *Position.* No fire. Infantry advancing fast. Do we move again?

*Echelon.* Traverses on picket lines finished. We have a midnight muster. Special courier carries message to Lieut. Briggs that he is a father. More rumors regarding the cessation of hostilities.

11th. *Position.* Respectable barrage ordered from 9.50 to 10.50 9:30 telephoned orders come through to all units: "Cease firing at 11 a.m. After that neither advance nor retire until further orders." French guns beside us sending shells to Germany at a great rate. Guns all around open up on last-minute missions. At 11 an abrupt silence follows the noise. One solitary boom violates the orders, then peace reigns. Then clean guns. FINI LA GUERRE.

*Echelon.* Everyone on edge until firing is suspended. Beaucoup powder burnt celebrating in the evening.

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Battery "D"





## BATTERY "D"

Undoubtedly every man in the battery, from the skipper down to the most insignificant "buck" private, has a wealth of vivid memories of his own personal doings and of those of the battery as a whole while in France. Were these all to be written up, we would have a library all our own. But owing to the lack of transportation we could not make this library and get it out of France. So we must be content with a brief history of the doings of Battery D in the World's War and trust to our memories and souvenirs for the rest.

No one wants to remember the long days of training in the snowy South nor the days of waiting and imprisonment in Camp Stuart, except perhaps the two sergeants who received their life sentences there. Capt. Hamlin was always noted for looking out for his men, and Sergt. White and Sergt. Crampton found that he lived up to his reputation in arranging their eleventh hour weddings. Sergt. White first got the idea into his head about 11 o'clock one Sunday night, woke up the captain, and as they were leaving camp Sergt. Crampton came running out—in his undershirt—wildly demanding that he be allowed to get married, too. The captain, after bribing the J. P. and setting the clock ahead, as it is

against the rules to sell licenses on Sunday, finally saw to it that the two couples were legally tied for life.

Our trip over from June 6th until we landed in St. Nazaire, on the 13th, was rather uneventful. The first day out everybody took a good look around the ship and then went and lost all their money "rolling the bones." The captain relieved the monotony of the rest of the trip by holding hourly schools, where we learned all about the tractors and trucks we never got. The band played and the boxers boxed, and every now and then we would "Abandon ship." The weather was always fair. Lieut. Kingsland and the Topper, however, were not in line when they issued sea-legs at the dock, consequently they spent the trip in their bunks trying to die. Before we knew it we landed, a boat-weary and grimy mob. As usual it rained.

We were here initiated into the ways of the francs and centimes, the open-faced caps, the wrapped leggins, the vin rouge and the M. P.'s. We learned something from all of them, especially Sergt. Judd, who thoughtlessly stayed downtown for one last cognac and lost his job as bean sergeant. We left for our country home at Gradignan June 26th.

Gradignan will always be the brightest spot in our billeting experiences. There at the Orphanage, with our swimming pool, our cafe around the corner, our laundry women, and all the time the best summer weather imaginable, we could not have been more comfortable. Of course, there was the drill. We drilled there beaucoup, but we learned a lot and lived through it. There were two days here no one wants to forget. One, when we were guard of honor at a presentation ceremony in Bordeaux, the only American troops there, and we felt ourselves quite honored, for it was a big affair and many high French officials were there; the other when we paraded to the village with an improvised fife and drum corps for the Fourth of July regimental games. Everybody was happy and not too sober until the 20th of July, when we hiked one moonlight night to Camp de Souge.

"Souge" was nothing but sand and heat and flies. But here we got our new 155s, what the French call horses—incidentally, they were the beginning of all our troubles—a new captain and some shooting on the range. Running true to form, our cannoneers walked away with the honors in the standing gun drill and our special detail ranked second in the brigade in their examinations. It was here that Diamond Pete got his name and Si Blanding took his 1918 bath. They told us all kinds of wild stories about gas and tried to teach us to put on our masks in the regulation six seconds—and then wear them for about three hours. It couldn't be done.

We thought we were some stuff about the time when we started for the front. On September 7th we landed in Longeville in the rain and



camped in the most inaccessible spot that the officers could find. The night we left there, the 8th, it was black and rainy and everything stuck that possibly could stick. The firing battery was pulled by trucks, and the "pests" hauled the combat train. Everybody got lost, everything broke, all the officers and drivers fell asleep on their horses, nobody knew how nor where they were going, and it was generally "one hell of a trip." The combat train became an echelon and camped at Nixeville, and the guns went into position near Germonville.

We opened fire here for the first time on the night of the 11th, fired from midnight until 11 in the morning and, much to everybody's surprise, never got an answer from Jerry. Here at our first position we got a little used to the war as we found it. We fired nearly every night, and only once in a long while would get a shrapnel or two from the Boche. We carried shells and shells and more shells. We had the usual spy scares and gas alarms, but by the time we left we were even doing cannoneers post in the afternoons. The new colonel paid us a visit and made a few pointed and untcomplimentary remarks. After he left we meekly cleaned and polished everything he had mentioned as being in need of attention and looked like a regular battery when we took up our second position at Chattancourt on the night of the 24th of September.

The firing battery always regarded the echelon as being nearly in the S. O. S. and a place of perfect safety and ease. They perhaps ate a little better than the gun crews and often had barracks to sleep in, but they were forever being moved and had to care for the horses, which is in itself a job, and they had all the battery property to handle. They, too, were in the show. When they were located at Bois la Ville, for instance, they learned how the Jerry bombers "opened the tail-gate" and also how to tell the difference between an arrival and a departure. The battery got the glory, but the echelon had its share of the work and troubles and danger.

The second position was in the bottom of a wet, muddy valley, but had the advantage of being close to a narrow-gauge track, consequently we did not have to do much carrying of shells. There was artillery of all kinds and nationalities packed around us, and on the night of the first Argonne offensive our valley was nearer to hell than most of us care to be. We experienced our first gas here and lived principally onhardtack and goldfish. We were shelled more or less, but the place gradually became home to us, and we didn't mind. Lieut. Rees felt so much at home that he used to walk his beat on the narrow-gauge in his stocking feet until they began calling him the "Silent Trackwalker." A detail was sent ahead from here to salvage a battery of German 150mm. that the infantry had captured in Forges Woods. The detail lived chiefly on

the infantry and learned a little about how the doughboys fight. They did not fire the guns, but they got a lot of good souvenirs.

We were only at our third position at Gercourt from October 13th to 21st but it was a rainy, muddy, wet week. Here Sergt. Reeves was wounded. We had a little gas and a little shelling. The day before we left the Boche planes photographed the place and that night just after we pulled out the fourth piece they opened up and shelled the position heavily, getting four direct hits on the executive shelter.

As we lived on through this man's war there grew to be a sameness to it. Every time we moved it rained and the guns stuck in the mud. We would always hear the same wild tales about what a dangerous place we were bound for and inevitably it turned out to be nothing at all. War to us became a mere drudgery, hard sweating labor carrying shells or digging or hauling on the drag ropes and always there was the rain and the mud.

Up to this time we were attached to the 33rd Division and were relieved with them on October 21st. We had a week of rest in the echelon grooming, feeding, watering and grazing our crow-bait. On the night of the 28th we set out for Cote des Roches on the banks of the Meuse. We did our best firing from this position and were highly commended by the commander of the 79th Division to which we were then attached. We had good dug-outs here, good grub which we bummed from the infantry kitchens and not too much night firing. A "77" inadvertently ricocheted off the bank and landed in our kitchen, puncturing some perfectly good kettles and wounding O'Brian who had just come up from the echelon to work in the ammunition detail.

On November 8th we were ordered to move ahead about two kilos and went into the muddiest position in the sector. It took eight pairs to pull each gun from the road to the position and the whole battery to carry the shells. Here we lived through that historic day, November 11th. We will never forget it but it was just like any other day to us except for the strange silence of the afternoon.

Then our troubles began. We left the lines the 20th and were billeted near Verdun until December 11th and then in Soulgé le Bruant until February 26th. All that time was one long unending drill, inspection and clean-up. We got rid of all our accumulated dirt and cooties, were inspected by everyone from General Pershing down to a private in the Medical Corps, we were drilled with "rifles, helmets and gas-masks" day in and day out and we hiked hundreds of miles in all kinds of weather until at last the millenium arrived and we entrained for Brest, setting sail for home on the "America" on March 5th.

Our only Christmas in France was celebrated while in Soulge-le-Bruant,

and the gift of two hundred and fifty dollars received from "The Friends of Battery D" was used to wonderful advantage. None of us have been very forward in expressing thanks to our many friends in Buffalo, but that is due to the fact that we have all been mighty busy. Every man in the battery fully realizes and appreciates the help, both moral and physical, which has been rendered to us by our staunch supporters and we are all deeply grateful.

So ends our career as a battery in the 106th Regiment of Field Artillery and the biggest experience in any of our lives. Each man has his own particular experiences to remember and no writer, no matter how gifted, could possibly picture the scenes as they are in each individual's mind. However if this article can serve to bring to mind any of the experiences of the "Three Field Boofalo" it has accomplished its end.

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Battery "E"





### BATTERY "E"

After six weeks at Camp de Souge once more we took the road. Having absorbed all the knowledge of warfare that came our way, we knew that at last intensive training was "finis" and very soon we would be making Fritz uncomfortable. On this trip we did not use passenger coaches but were introduced to "40 hommes, 8 chevaux" cars, known in the states as side door pullmans. We weren't even packed in like sardines for a sardine has, at least, room enough to lie out at full length, so after four days of this most uncomfortable way of travelling, we arrived at Longeville. It might be said here that a soldier never knows where he is going, when he gets there he seldom knows where he is and as General O'Ryan says "He isn't happy unless he is going somewhere else," so when we arrived at Longeville and noted that the town was in darkness and the order was passed along to preserve silence, we had an idea that the enemy was probably in the next town or behind one of the nearby hills. When we finally were unloaded and had camouflaged ourselves and materiel under the trees, we were certain that the enemy was all around us and when dawn broke and we had not been attacked we were agreeably surprised. In fact we hiked five days before we learned that the enemy was still about twenty miles away. When it is written here that we hiked five days from Longeville those of us who made this hike and read this will remember that it was probably the most trying experience we have ever had, not only in the army, but in our lives. If

there was any more mud and rain in Flanders than there was enroute to Baleicourt, Flanders must be an inland sea. Our schedule was to march all night and rest in the day. It was like a nightmare to us all.

This was a short distance in the rear of the Verdun sector and out of range of everything but the extreme long range guns of the enemy. A few days later the crews that were to man the guns were chosen and together with a few telephone and instrument specialists they left for a forward position. The horses didn't seem to be doing their best and the drivers seemed to be blind, as time after time the pieces went off the road or into mud holes that appeared to be easy to avoid. Although we were actually moving as quietly as though we were on a plush carpet we thought that they could hear us in Berlin and every minute we expected a shower of shells. The deluge didn't arrive and before dawn we had arrived at our destination, set our pieces in positions there all ready to be occupied and were soon asleep.

By noon we had communication established and were ready to answer that call that even the goldbricks don't fail to fall in for, mess. It was on this day that we saw our first hostile aeroplane soaring high above us. Before the day had passed we had witnessed a thrilling air battle and saw one of our observation balloons brought to earth in flames by the machine gun of a Boche aviator who passed through our anti-aircraft barrage and back to his own lines unscathed. This soon became a common occurrence and day after day from under the camouflage of our gun pits we watched them come over, get a balloon and get away with it. Later we learned that most of those we saw come over never got back as the machine guns of the front lines or our aviators patrolling there usually avenged the destruction.

And then one morning, when we were basking in the sun outside the dugouts waiting for a call to fire, a Boche swooped down out of a cloud, passed through a barrage of machine gun and anti-aircraft fire and as we were shelled an hour later, it is evident that he photographed us. Just as the men started for mess a sharp whizz came from nowhere, it seemed, but it burst very near our position on the road. Needless to say, the mess line was delayed and in quicker time than it takes to tell it, every one was underground. The dugouts that had seemed as safe as a front seat at the Palace now seemed about as safe as a cigar box and we found ourselves trying to figure how deep a shell would have effect. And now they were coming over in gangs. But curiosity proved greater than our initial scare and ready to duck at an instant's notice, we listened, with our heads out of the dugout entrances and followed the whizz to the burst. Then came the granddaddy of them all with his whole family and the gun crew in one of our dugouts found themselves supporting the roof

and a few tons of earth on their heads, backs and shoulders for the granddaddy entered unceremoniously and spilled that dugout all over the landscape. Result: one perfectly good gun crew rated wound stripes and finished "la guerre" before a shot had been fired from our battery. That night Fritz got busy again and spoiled a military graveyard a few hundred feet forward of our position.

Still we did not retaliate, of course there were numerous reasons for not doing so that we didn't know about, but there was one good reason that we did have for doing so; they smashed our dugout and wounded our buddies and we sure were anxious to avenge them.

A few nights later we moved forward. By dawn we were before Verdun, almost dug in and entirely camouflaged on the hill of "le Mort Homme." At night, under cover of the darkness we improved and completed our position, for here we were not fortunate enough to find a position ready to step into. In the daytime we carried shells from a narrow gauge road at Chattancourt, a few hundred yards below us. To carry one one hundred pound shell a few hundred yards over trenches through barbed wire entanglements and up hill all the way is not a pleasant task. To carry them all day is sure poison but to dig gun positions all night and carry shells all day for two or three days, that is sure what William T. Sherman was thinking of when he declared that "war is hell."

On the morning of September 26th, 1918, before our shells were all up in the positions we got the "H" hour and the big event, a gigantic offensive and the initial drive on the all American front was started from Verdun to the sea. As our guns opened fire, the last batch of shells were being carried into the positions and then no one was tired. The writer, then Gas N. C. O., had opportunity to see the gun crews as they could not see themselves. Men who a few moments before were so fatigued that they stumbled all over themselves were now cussin' merrily and sending the big G. I. cans over about one hundred times as fast as they carried them. Clouds of steam rose from the backs of the crews as they shoved the shells home, pulled the lanyard and yelled good luck to the shells as they went over the hurdle. They were too busy to note that the Boche batteries had opened on us, that is all except Corporal Hoffman, for he sure thought he rated a wound stripe when a piece of shrapnel hit him on the Southwest corner, but much to his disgust it only dented him. For three hours we sent them over and the guns on our flanks and in rear and in front of us kept up the most terrible barrage that was ever sent over.

And after our firing had ceased, the light guns still continued their tattoo and along the road appeared a straggling line of German prisoners.

The result of our firing was not then known to us, but later we were told that if we didn't receive a commendation we deserved one as our targets were entirely demolished. We had caught and destroyed a train as it attempted to pull to the rear. In a trench system and series of dugouts we had killed and buried alive hundreds of the enemy. A battery that had our range and was about to open fire on us was entirely demolished, and right here and now it must be written that Captain Curtin can drop those shells through a knot hole without touching the sides, for he proved it then.

All along the line the advances made were more than satisfactory. Numerous guns and materiel were captured and gun crews from the regiment were sent forward to man a battery of German guns that had been captured with enough gas shells to keep them going for days.

Each day, and at night, we were given objectives such as troublesome machine gun nests or batteries and the result of our fire was gratifying, and then again we advanced for the enemy was out of range. This time we moved into the edge of a forest at Gercourt that had recently been a German position. As we pulled in he greeted us with a few steel clad tokens of his dislike for us and every day thereafter he reminded us that he was still in the game. At that position in a damp gloomy wood, there was good cause to be thankful that Fritz sent over about fifty per cent duds, for one morning Roberts awoke and found that one had buried itself in front of his dugout a few feet from where he was sleeping. Another burrowed its way into the earth almost at Sheppard's feet and many that came over would have put a lot of good men on the sick book, had they burst.

At Gercourt we fired very little but the little that we did was up to the standard that we had established in our initial engagement. It was about this time that McCormick, the inebriate bugler reformed. Mac had always been known to disobey orders as occasionally as he could, especially those of the first Sergeant. Mac had also been left with the reserve at the echelon and on this particular occasion had come forward with a load of rations and supplies. He reached the position at about dark. We didn't know that he had reached the position until we heard him whisper from the depths of the canvas topped wagon, "Hey, somebody take this to the Captain, quick, will you? I gotter get right back; Springer told me to hurry." Just then a shell burst in the distance. Says Mac, "Hey, hurry up and unload those rations, Springer told me to get right back." The rations unloaded and his messages delivered he told the driver to start. Just then Sergt. Blumenfeld hailed him. "Wait a minute, Mac, there is a message to go to Barrett." As he said this another shell burst and Mac exploded. "Hell nun-no, Bookie, Springer wants me to hurry



like anythin," and that wagon made the ten kilos back in nothing flat and Mac still insists that he saved a life by obeying an order even though it was his own.

From Gercourt we retired to Bois la Ville, a rest camp, for then we had been on the line for about six weeks. Heretofore a rest camp has been described, but this time we didn't build railroads, we groomed horses three times a day, fed them five times and after watering them three or four times, grazed them when we couldn't do anything else for them, so a week later we were glad the rest was over and once more we headed for the line. This time we crossed the Meuse River and took up a position on the road a short way from Samogneux with the river a hundred yards to the rear of us. Here we were probably closer to the enemy than at any other time and it didn't take him long to let us know all about it. Our shelter was just about windproof, and that was all, for now we had advanced to territory that had been no man's land for several years and as dugouts weren't being built in no man's land, we had to be satisfied to sleep under sheets of tin and improve on them daily.

Each day we fired and were fired upon. In fact we were fired upon whether we fired or not and it was at this position that we received our first severe gas attack. Every evening we could hear the bursts up the road on our right and it didn't take many days for us to learn that Fritz methodically swept his fire to the right, which caused us grave concern, for we were the right and when he reached us he would just start to send them over double time. Again we had some miraculous escapes but there were some that didn't escape. Our Chief Mechanic, Phil Kunz, was wounded here when a shell burst in his shelter. An Ordnance man that lay beside him was so severely wounded that he died the following day. Our firing at this position was in support of the 79th Division Infantry who were ahead of us in a hilly wooded country. Their advances were slow but sure as every conceivable place sheltered enemy artillery or machine gun nests. It was our duty to destroy them, which we did with such success that we were highly commended by their General. And then one day we had the first member of our Battery make the supreme sacrifice. Corporal Arthur B. Finkelstein, better known to us as Little Fink, had come up from the reserve at the echelon with some papers for the Battery commander. He arrived just as Fritz started shelling, and as he attempted to lead his horse off the road three shells burst directly under him. The gas that Fritz sent over at this position was of the sneezing variety and a more humorous sight than thousands of men all sneezing cannot be imagined. Perhaps had the concentration been a little stronger we would not have thought it so humorous, but even the elements seemed to be with us for a high wind always seemed to spring up

at the most opportune moment and drive the gas skyward. Then came the armistice rumors. By this time most of us were absolutely rumor proof and anything that we believed had to be stamped "OFFICIAL" in capital letters so we let them go through one ear and out the other and continued our fire. But the big day came. We had been firing all night in support of the doughboys ahead of us who were then advancing. This on November 10th. On the morning of November 11th we were still hard at it. Later on that same morning the rumor of an armistice grew more persistent, and as the sun rose French troops began to pass us on the road, hilariously drunk, either from joy or vin blanc, but we still kept pounding away despite their advice that "La guerre est finis." Ten-thirty still found us firing with no order to cease, but then we were almost certain that the end was near. Truck drivers and others who had never fired a gun begged for an opportunity to pull the lanyard just once, so we soon found a line waiting to fire a shot for the cause. The last shot of the Battery was sent over by Lieut. Walker, a short time before eleven o'clock, and then came the official order that at eleven a. m. hostilities would cease. The gun crews celebrated the occasion by going back to their bunks, for we were too fatigued to have a more fitting celebration, but that night automobiles pulled through with headlights glaring, powder cases were fired and signal rockets of all colors shot across the sky in flocks as far as eye could reach. Just twenty-four hours before even a lighted match would have brought down a deluge of shells, now the terrain was as light as Broadway, and then we slept, slept without wondering whether we would wake in the morning or be issued a harp and some wings.

We were not to be kidded, however. Fritz had established a reputation for himself that didn't cause us to have very much faith in his word, so we followed him along a way, ready at a moment's notice to give him another American argument, but he didn't stop to argue, and a few days later found us in a position that he had only left a few hours before, at Crepion. Here we discovered why he lasted so long. While we were glad to sleep in a mudhole, he was living in concrete dugouts that were actually palatial. In one there was an organ. In several others there were found garments of the opposite sex, so it is supposed that when he finally lost all these comforts he thought it time to quit. But the danger was not all past, for when soldiers get to celebrating with overgrown rockets, German rifles and ammunition and hand grenades, it is still satisfying to know that dugouts still exist. The writer himself would sooner have been in a shelled position than anywhere near Sergeant Woolley when he was rabbit hunting with hand grenades. Still we came out of it with only a few bruises, and then we decided that Fritz was sure on his way

for good, and we pulled for the rear and were soon billeted at Jardin-Fontaine, a French military barracks between Thierville and Verdun. Here we had an opportunity to visit Verdun, or all that was left of it, and that was not much.

After a few weeks of doing squads East in the mud and rain, we loaded our guns and bid the line goodbye. At the time, December 13th, we thought that before the end of the month we would also bid France goodbye. We also thought that the next month and the next and the next, but—well, that's just a little way we have in the army.

Some more "40 hommes, 8 chevaux" cars pulled us into Laval, between Paris and the sea, a few days later and here we stayed for ten weeks, being equipped, drilling, making a final offensive on the little cootie bugs and between times eating up the food supply and taking a drink or two or more.

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Eisenhauer, Alber G.	Pvt	273 Walnut St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Garner, Charles T.	Pvt	60 Courtland Ave., Norwich, N. Y.
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Glamb, Jan	Pvt	Center St., Lackawanna, N. Y.
Gless, Lewis	Pvt	91 Clymer St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
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Grabski, Anthony	Pvt	48 Reed St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Grudzinski, Stanislaw	Pvt	281 Amherst St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Grzonkowski, Joseph	Pvt	26 Brighton St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Lodzinski, Ignacy	Pvt	Buffalo, N. Y.
Looze, Edward	Sgt	Eden Center, N. Y.
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Maliska, Thomas	Pvt 1cl	152 Montgomery St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Markowski, Ignacy	Pvt	61 Moskigam St., Depew, N. Y.
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Olsen, Harry C.	Pvt	Circle, Montana.
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Podyma, Walter	Pvt 1cl	82 Reservation St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Radziejewicz, Joseph	Pvt	566 Parish St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Sobczak, Vincent	Pvt 1cl	183 Kosciuszko St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Sopiski, Andrew	Pvt	40 Bridgman St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Usak, Lawrence	Pvt	447 Amherst St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Verral, Ralph W.	Sgt	Bayview Ave., Little Neck, L. I., N. Y.
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Welch, William	Pvt	2088 Amsterdam Ave., New York City.
Wesolek, Stanley	Pvt 1cl	113 Sheppard St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Wesolowski, Adam	Sgt	162 Leopere St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Wesolowski, Joseph	Pvt	6 Brownell St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Wujek, Bernard	Pvt	88 Beck St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Wypychowski, Ignacy	Cook	393 Gibson St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Yuda, Frank	Pvt 1cl	293 Amherst St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Zachmyc, Frank	Mess Sgt	54 Houghton St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Battery "F"



## BATTERY "F," 106TH FIELD ARTILLERY

The guns were placed in their first position near Bethlainville, and here we quietly remained for more than a week. The enemy aviators did not venture close to our vicinity owing, probably, to a fear of our efficient Machine Gunners, under the charge of Corporal Kousky and Corporal Croll, the latter more commonly known as Corporal Jam. Occasionally Bethlainville was shelled, and the next time we went to mess Cooks Smith and "Whity" Williams would give us a vivid description of how they "ducked in their Duck-outs" and so escaped injury.



Soon we moved to a position near Dead Man's Hill and made ready to play our part in the great Meuse-Argonne offensive, beginning the 26th of September. That was a morning we will never forget. Neither will the Germans who were in front of us. At noon the long columns of prisoners marching to the rear were a testimony of our success. A battery of German guns captured in this offensive were turned about and manned by our own gun crews with Lieut. Hess as executive. They fired seventy-five rounds at the Germans, receiving immediately in return seventy-nine, all of which were well placed and very nicely adjusted. While at Dead Man's Hill we were often troubled by gas, but felt secure under the watchful eyes of our efficient gas and areoplane guards, Wallace, Austin, Kessler, Williams, and Bowen. Kessler, with his mind constantly on his duty, finally reached such a state of perfection that he gave gas alarms while asleep as well as while awake with the consequent interruption of half the Battery's sleep. Captain Schohl willingly excused this, however, and stated that all of us are apt to make mistakes, which was probably correct, with the exceptions of Boisvert, Acker and Bolinger.

After about a week in this position we advanced to Forges Woods and then further to Gercourt. After a short stay at the latter place, we withdrew to enjoy a few days' rest in Nixéville Woods. It was on this

return march that Lieut. Butterfield, with a Chariot de Parc, demolished a French meat wagon and paid the damages with six packs of Piedmonts. The Frenchmen were sorry he had destroyed only one of their wagons; they willingly would have lost the others for half the price.

It was at Nixéville that we realized the difficulty of the proposition confronting Lieut. Doherty, our ex-balloon observer, and the drivers. Constant uninteresting work was their lot, and to them belongs fully as much credit as to the men at the guns whose work, though hard and continuous, was nevertheless interesting. The echelons were often bombed at night, and on one of these occasions, even Lieut. Marcus forgot to dress himself properly and to carry his gas mask at the alert.

After six days' rest at Nixéville, we moved the guns to a new position near Samogneux. While on the road that night, near Glorieux, one of Hartman's horses was seriously wounded, supposedly by shrapnel, and was necessarily shot by Sergeant Roth, who was very proficient in this art. At this gun position we were heavily shelled, and Corporal Fowler was grievously wounded. Here at Samogneux Sergeant Holland's gun was put out of action in what was the heaviest shelling experienced by the Battery during the War. We were exceptionally fortunate. The organizations on either side of us suffered heavy casualties, both in men and horses, and had much materiel destroyed.

Soon we advanced to Ormont Farm, and the morning after taking up our position there the Captain read us the order to cease hostilities in accordance with the terms of the armistice. That night trucks traveled with glaring headlights, and the sky was illuminated by an endless succession of star shells. The front was transformed. "La guerre finis" was heard on every hand. We would be home by Christmas or at the very latest by New Year's.

After a few days allotted for the collection of souvenirs, we marched to Jardin Fontaine Barracks at Verdun to remain until a train could be brought to take us to the port of embarkation. It was delayed a short time, during which we were taught how to do "squads right and left." Finally we left, during an ordinary rain storm, such as is necessary for a Battery "F" movement and, after a pleasant ride on army observation cars, landed at Soulgé, where our passage was delayed from week to week, and we had plenty of time to enjoy to the full what the Captain was pleased to call "the fruits of Victory." All the feather beds in Soulgé were soon occupied, and the Hotel de Notre Dame was doing a flourishing business. Matrimonial tendencies soon became evident, especially with Bonomo, Wanat, Walthers and Acquard and, if promises are worth anything at all, half of Battery "F" will be back in either Gradignan or Soulgé before the expiration of another year.

Meanwhile uninvited visitors had insidiously crept in upon us and hunting became a sport participated in at least half an hour each day by every man in the Battery. Stroud was the most successful, but his success cost him his room and made his return to America with Marie an impossibility.

While at Soulgé Captain Schohl was assigned to duty as Commander of the First Battalion, and his loss was deeply regretted by all the Battery. During the many months he had been with us his just and upright character and generous spirit had won for him the sincere respect of every man in the Battery. Lieut. Devlin, held in like esteem with Captain Schohl, was also assigned to duty elsewhere, while at Soulgé, and the loss of these two officers was keenly felt by all.

Our new Battery Commander was Captain De Wolf, who claimed he had seen worse but couldn't tell where. Under his command we soon snapped out of Soulgé and into Brest and back across the ocean.

Our army life is now only a memory. We have in our possession that little square paper which was our ticket to civilian life. Yet as we look back to the time we spent "Over There" we are not quite certain after all whether we are happier now than we were then.

### BATTERY "F," 106TH FIELD ARTILLERY

Roster of members of Battery "F," who were with the Battery during its tour of duty at the Front.

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St. Marie, Andrian A.	2nd Lieut.	119 South Ash St., Crookston, Minn.
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Austin, Ward B.	Pvt 1cl	East Otto, N. Y.
Beckwith, Daniel	Pvt 1cl	Buffalo St., East Aurora, N. Y.
Beebe, Clyde G.	Pvt 1cl	274 Washburn St., Lockport, N. Y.
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Braven, Harry O.	Pvt	618 Jefferson St., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Foltynik, Anthony	Pvt	402 Sweet Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Kieber, Fred F.	Pvt 1cl	Mills St., Williamsville, N. Y.
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Supply Company



## THE SUPPLY COMPANY

Reveille blows. We are back in Camp Wadsworth in the winter of 1918. It is still dark and cold as it only is in the sunny South. Now it begins to grow light, and you can distinguish the faces which form into line. First Sergeant Sawyer calls the company to attention in that quick, terse way of his. Rolls are called. That incomparable Road Sergeant, Tom Donnelly, who can drive more mules by himself than any other living man, heads the first section. But what happened to him when the company left for France? Sergeant Fulop, who can keep his temper longer and make others work more humorously than most men, had just dropped into place as the last notes of the bugle sounded. They tell a story of the way in which he turned the whole wagon train around under fire one



dismal black night which some of us won't forget. Go further down the line, and you will recognize Sergeant Walters, eager and energetic, whose knowledge of John Mules' troubles was so great as to almost procure him a commission in the Vets. Nothing better than to see him playing with John's hind feet. Roach was also once a corporal till his independent spirit clashed with his rank. And Craft did the rest. There, too, is Corporal Carrigan, a better you will go a long way to find.

In line are those inseparables, Scotty and Mike Pratt, both over six feet, and able to take care of themselves very well. Red Whalen, who was as cool under shell fire as in his own bunk. Chief Mechanic Glor,

who was at Liberty to Dodge the Quads in the Alley, but who could Hardly a Ford to spoil his new Denims; Stanton, who wondered why General Pershing wanted to win Alice Lorraine from the Kaiser; Happy Bender, who had more close shaves at the front than any other man in the A. E. F.; Tony De Luca, better known as "Steela da helm," who lost his "mask o' gask" and "riff" and left a string of broken hearts behind him in France; Sam McDonald, who found that cider was worth \$2.24 per quart in Argentre; Forbes, who achieved a reputation as a chicken king while in France; Rebeshier, whose voice could be heard even above the grating of the Quads; Oliver, who collected salvaged Fords at the front; and Cawthard, who camouflages his hirsute lock by wearing his overseas cap even while asleep.

Carl Lautz, too, stood in line in those days, and later became first sergeant, until he was taken with pneumonia on the trip over, and died in St. Nazaire on July 16th, 1918.

"Squads left," and we're off to feed the pets their morning mess. As pretty a picket line of mules as you'll see in the army, for never does any one of them have to subsist on the meagre nine pound ration that the Government allows them, thanks to the rustling abilities of Roach and Kirk. Some say Dad Friar had the best four up; others think it's Quinlivan. Beckley, too, had a wild collection. Truth is, even they haven't much over the others, and when the whole train is strung out, you'd have a hard job choosing between them. Three times they covered the twenty-five mile hike to the Glassy Rock Range in three days, and only two mules went lame.

And then came mess call. There was real meat for breakfast in those days, for did not Colonel Hines insist on good food? We ate well, and boasted that none ate better. Coddington, who later achieved undying fame through his pancakes at the front, Shepard and Finkelstein and Schlosser saw to that. It was here that Red Whalen was promoted to the grade of Bread Sergeant and overseer of the K. P.'s. It was not his duties that most bothered Red as much as the kind of chevron he was entitled to wear. About now appeared on the scene the real brains of the Regiment—Regimental Supply Sergeants Hilton, Wiegand and MacDonald. If ever the Q. M. lived who could outwit them, he has not yet been seen. No less able were their assistants, Abe Sisitsky, who performed miracles in feeding the regiment on nothing at all. It is said that on their return voyage aboard the "America," "Major" Green was worried about the list to port of the boat; but the reason for this was discovered by the "Verdun Kid" Turner, who found that Abe Sisitsky was shifting his position on the boat. Sergeant Kytte is "off" the French, some little French boys put one over on him by taking his raincoat out



of his Ford right under his very eyes; Dave Trotman, beaming with thoughts of the girl he left behind; Luke Voss, who keeps the ordnance property under lock and key, and at times some which isn't ordnance, and Sergeant Klug, who can run a general store in a shelter tent; Mechanic Cocco, too, arose late in the morning; he came to believe in the universal brotherhood of man when he was left outside a dugout during an air raid.

After breakfast a Ford could be seen swaying down the road at break-neck speed. Crash, and it stopped in front of the Supply Company. Out jumped Captain Jack, followed by Lieutenant Farley, and the day's work began. Captain Jack was at his best those days; he knew everything and ordered everybody. He had enough supplies to equip two or three regiments and a surplus to cover all shortages. Only rarely do officers inspire the devotion which he received from his company. Who will forget the Christmas dinner, and his smile when we gave him a fine pair of riding boots? J. Ford Lubick was his chauffeur, and kept the car running day and night, even when he had to put "vaseline on the walves."

Perhaps the best time we had was at the range. The winter was over, and we had more freedom than at Camp Wadsworth, and the Supply Company needs freedom. Work was heavy over the eight miles of bottomless mud roads from Camp o' Bello, but who cared? Supplies came in, and moonshine was plentiful. Manure could be swapped for eggs, and we lived well. Rumors of changing mules for motors never materialized, and it was with a mixture of sorrow that we turned in the old stand-bys, and left for France, as a motorized outfit, only to be changed back again on arrival and receive the French variety of our old friend, Juhn Mule, to the consternation of all concerned. We scored on the rest of the Brigade, by getting fully equipped at Newport News and beating them over by two weeks. The French variety of mules had to be fed five times per day, grazed and groomed, and even then wouldn't stand up to real work, and it was not till after the armistice that we got our Quads, and proceeded to tear up French roads and smash down bridges and brick walls of cemeteries, which abound in France.

The last billet in the Chateau was almost up to our first at Gradignan. Here we found the "S. O. S." meant "See Other Shirts," and wore out our skins getting rid of the cooties. We had time to look on the Vin Blanc when it was red, and rest on our hard won laurels. For when all is said and done, the Skinner and his Mule is the back bone of the army.

## ORDNANCE DETACHMENT

This organization came into being at Camp Wadsworth. We were transferred from the various batteries of the regiment when all were laboring under the delusion that horses were to go and motors were to come. Motor doctors we were to be with a lesser practice in gun surgery. We did fuss with motors now and then but they never arrived in force.

When the batteries took up positions in the line we were split up into detachments of two or three men and assigned to the various positions. If something went wrong with a gun we fixed it. If the detail at the position could not do it Sgt. Osborn always had the faculty of showing up when there was trouble and knowing just what to do.

Although we were always billeted with the Supply Company and messed with them we always kept our identity as a separate organization. In that organization were our friends and intimates and of the best of them was Corp. Laporte who was billeted at Battery "E's" position near Gamogneux.

Of course we will be remembered as the odd job squad but more than that Blücher, the German police dog found near Verdun and known to all the Regiment, belongs to us.

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# Medical Detachment







### MEDICAL DETACHMENT

On September 4th, the Regiment moved by train, in four sections, on its first lap of the journey to the front, and the Detachment was equally divided to form details for each section.

Our trip by rail lasted about fifty hours, and beautiful rural France was enjoyed by everyone. Then we arrived at Longeville, a little town not far distant from the city of Bar le Duc. On the evening of the 8th, we started over the road for the front. A few were fortunate enough to have horses, but because the Regiment was handicapped by shortage of them, most were not able to ride. After our first night's venture of twelve hours, during which time our rolling kitchens came to the rescue and gave us coffee and lunch, we arrived at 8 a. m., at the little town of Issincourt, where we rested during the day. At dusk we started out once more for another night's hike, finally stopping at Nixéville Woods the morning of September 10th. Here we remained until the evening of the 11th, amid a downpour of rain; then departed on our last lap of the journey.

The nights were black, and the travelling was rather difficult. It was, however, an experience few will forget. The men were always wet and tired, horses sick, and the road not easy to find; while many halts, due to mired guns, failing animals and blocked roads, always delayed our movements considerably. One thing was noticeable as we progressed on our journey, and that was the ever increasing appearance of ruins and devastation.

We halted at 5 a. m. on the morning of the 12th of September at the little shell-battered and rat-infested village of Baleicourt. Here the details for the three battalions were made, for although the batteries were not very far apart, the details from the respective battalions had their duties to perform which kept them apart. A part of the Detachment was always kept in the echelon of the regiment caring for the sick and providing medical supplies for our details at the gun positions.

While at Baleicourt we had our first air raid, when several bombs were dropped without casualties; but it served to introduce to us what treatment was to follow. Indeed, it seems that if an effort had been made to bring us under fire gradually and to promote steadiness, that it could not have been done better; first air raids, then observation of bursting shells, then a little shelling of the gun positions, followed by night marches and infinitely worse, halts under fire.

On September 12th the regiment participated in the St. Mihiel offensive, which was a prepared attack, made by the First American Army on the right of the sector occupied by the 17th French Corps. On September 21st, our men had their first real opportunity to do first aid work. This was at Bethlainville, with the Third Battalion, when shelling from the enemy began at 5:30 p. m. One of Jerry's shells had made a direct hit on one of Battery E's dugouts, and a call for first aid was passed on to us immediately. As a result of the caving in of the dugout, it was necessary to evacuate five men with fractures, but evacuating at that particular time was very difficult, in that it was necessary to send a messenger six kilometres to Sivry La Perche for ambulance service.

On September 22nd, all batteries were brought into position at Chattancourt, just back of Dead Man's Hill (Mort Homme), where in 1916, over 500,000 French and Germans fell. There we established three dressing stations; two were in dugouts, while the third was in a roadhouse shelter, enlarged and improved on by the Second Battalion detail. This place was constantly being shelled, as some 75 batteries at its immediate rear were drawing the fire. The village of Chattancourt was then but a mass of ruins, the only evidence of the village having been there was one fragment of a wall marked "Telegraph Office," which still remained standing. As the dressing station of the Second Battalion was on the road, many wounded of the other organizations who filtered back from the front, along the ravine and the road, were dressed there.

On September 26th, the Meuse-Argonne offensive was begun, a prepared attack. We were still attached to the 33rd Division of the Third U. S. Army Corps. This was a memorable night, from midnight until 5:30 the next morning, our guns in connection with those of the other regiments of our 52nd Field Artillery Brigade, and the French Artillery,

put over a terrific and most wonderful barrage, terrible yet awe-inspiring. The 131st and 132nd Infantry Regiments went "over the top," crossed a swamp and drove the Huns out of the first, second and third line trenches, and continued sending them back about ten kilometres. The Division carried all of its objectives.

On September 27th, when it seemed that the Medical Detachment was fully occupied with six scattered batteries and several echelons and stations at the rear, we were presented with a full battery of 150s, captured by the 130th Infantry. This battery was in a particularly exposed position. A detail from the regiment worked the guns effectively, and Sergeant Burdett represented the Medical Detachment, utilizing German medical material. They were under heavy artillery fire frequently, but as usual, there were no casualties. This battery fired on the Germans until October 23rd.

From October 3rd to 7th, there was an attack on the Brieculles, participated in by the Fourth Division on our left, supported by the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade. This position was near the Hill de Raffincourt, and our first aid station was established in a dilapidated, bomb-proof dugout; but after cleaning it and putting it in good condition, it served the purpose well. Then we took up new positions outside of Gercourt. Here no other shelter or dugouts being available, a tent fly was pitched at the corner of Bois Sachet to serve as a dressing station. The whole was effectively camouflaged with branches, but a battery of 155 rifles were just to the rear, and sleeping in this shelter was an impossibility when the rifles were in action. Still, Sergeant Driscoll remained there faithfully, slept on the wet, water-soaked ground, and performed his duties with a smiling face.

Later another dressing station was established in rear of this, on the side of a hill where a large shell hole was dug out and enlarged and covered over with sheet iron. Here Sergeant Sullivan and Private 1st Class Bloomer worked with untiring efforts.

A prepared attack by the 17th French Army Corps, Major General Claudel commanding, followed, and the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade was transferred to them with the 33rd Division for the purpose of the attack on Bois de Chaume, Bais Plat-Chene and Consenvoye, which objective was gained. On October 14th, there was a prepared attack by the 29th Division in the Heights of the Grand Montagne, and it was the next day that our Detachment suffered its first loss, Captain Charles D. Cromwell, M. C., then commanding the 2nd Battalion detail. He was evacuated sick to the hospital. From that until the 21st, the Brigade assisted the 33rd Division in holding and organizing the positions attained by them. On October 16th First Lieut. Hayes, M. C., was transferred sick to the

hospital, and that part of the regiment at the front, was left with Captain Grabau, M. C., as the only doctor. Major Hinds, regimental surgeon and the Commanding Officer of our detachment, was busily engaged at the echelon shortly in the rear of our guns; and it was there that those temporarily disabled, yet not too seriously to be lost by evacuating to hospitals, were sent and cared for. A request to the Division Surgeon, 33rd Division, for medical officers to replace the two we had lost, met with no success, for apparently there was a great scarcity of medical officers at that time.

The brigade was relieved from duty with the 33rd Division on October 25th and became attached to the 79th Division. From the 25th to the 30th, the men who had worked at the guns, retired to the rear, at Bois la Ville for a short rest and clean-up. A memorandum issued by Major George Bell, Jr., U. S. A., Commanding General of the 33rd Division, under date of October 28th, expressed the latter's appreciation of the invaluable service and assistance the Brigade had rendered, and for the uniform, earnest and efficient manner every request was met by the men, contributing in a great measure to the success of the 33rd Division in those operations.

After the rest at Bois la Ville, we were again ready to start out with the regiment to take up new positions. There was a fascination about the life at the forward positions, though full of hardships and sacrifices, which appealed to each one of our men, and made them all keen to get back to their work. Even during the most serious moments, the men assumed the optimistic air, while much fun and sports of varied types were indulged in during the odd moments. Although casualties in our regiment had been few prior to this, our men had plenty of opportunities to apply their first aid knowledge, for many wounded infantrymen were cared for at all times.

The guns arrived at Samogneux midnight, October 30th, after six or eight hours' hike. Here the regiment was under practically constant shell fire, and it was here and during our advance until the date of the armistice that most of our work was done. On October 31st, while on their return from dinner, Sergeant Fink and Private Stevens with the 2nd Battalion detail, were wounded by fragments from shell burst. The former suffered a severe wound accompanied by a hemorrhage, and was immediately evacuated to a hospital. Throughout his career at the front, Sergeant Fink showed steadiness and courage in his work. Stevens' wound was less severe, and did not necessitate his evacuation.

On November 3rd, about 9 a. m., near Brabant, there was a heavy shell fire from the enemy. While at their work giving first aid, Captain John C. Grabau, M. C., Private 1st Class Walter Shields, and Privates

Dominick Ceroni, Mathew and Sigmund Gaczewski were wounded. Many organizations were in position here, not only the artillery of the 26th Division, but also a number of infantry echelons, making it difficult to procure suitable and sufficient room or shelter for dressing stations. The station of the 3rd Battalion was the most exposed to fire, but the work of those just mentioned, and Sergeant Sullivan, Sergeant Bell, Privates Bloomer and Blaisdell was commendable. Sergeant Driscoll was always seen where there were casualties, and relieved the Medical Officer of much work, being a very dependable man. Captain Grabau and Shields and Ceroni were evacuated to a hospital. The Gaczewski brothers were not evacuated and remained on duty with the detachment. It was during this time that Bell's courage and unending efforts in evacuating wounded by ambulance to hospitals, earned for him later a commendation for exceptional gallantry.

Major Hinds was now the only Medical Officer left with the regiment, and was occupied most of the time. Near our positions, were the 304th Engineers and the 313th Infantry; and these men, without medical attention, were also cared for by us. Lieut. McGraw, from the 105th Field Artillery, was loaned us, when the medical officers were reduced to one, and assisted much during the short time he was with us.

For the enlisted men, it can be said that they did wonderful work under fire, and never sought cover when there was work to do. The men doing the less interesting work at the echelon acquitted themselves admirably. They worked where work was to be done; built dugouts, groomed mules or did sanitary work with equal good will. During Major Hinds' absence with the batteries, the really trying work was done by 1st Lieut. Sutton, D. C., very ably assisted by Sergeant 1st Class Boeckel. Neither of these men had any opportunity to distinguish themselves with the batteries, but their ability and energy is of the highest order.



# ROSTER OF MEDICAL DETACHMENT, 106TH FIELD ARTILLERY

(Including all members of Detachment from time of leaving for front.)

<i>Name</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>Home Address</i>
Adams, Walter	Pvt	Honorably discharged in Europe.
Artman, Guy R.	Pvt	Whitestown, Ind.
Bell, Louis J.	Pvt 1cl	Bloomington, N. Y.
Bloomer, Albert	Pvt 1cl	Batavia, N. Y.
Boeckel, Fred W.	Sgt 1cl	568 E. Utica St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Botkin, Henry R.	Pvt 1cl	St. Marys, Ohio.
Brown, King W.	Pvt	Gillette, Ark.
Burdett, Ellis J.	Sgt	Batavia, N. Y.
Burns, Thomas E.	Pvt	40 Ford Ave., Ogdensburg, N. Y.
Ceroni, Dominick	Pvt	Wounded and evacuated to hospital.
Driscoll, Cornelius P.	Sgt	Died at hospital, December 1st, 1918, from accidental burns.
Driscoll, Joseph P.	Pvt 1cl	187 W. Utica St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Evers, Herbert H.	Pvt	126 Childs St., Warren, R. I.
Farrell, John A.	Pvt 1cl	432 55th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Fink, Harold J.	Sgt	Wounded and evacuated to hospital.
Gaczewski, Sigmund	Pvt	1342 Broadway, Buffalo, N. Y.
Gaczewski, Mathew	Pvt	1342 Broadway, Buffalo, N. Y.
Gasseling, William	Pvt 1cl	Toppinich, Wash.
Gatsos, Pete J.	Pvt	200 Third Ave., South Seattle, Wash.
Graczyk, Frank	Pvt	Silver Lake, Minn.
Higgins, Clifford W.	Pvt	114 Forbell Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Jenkins, Edgar H.	Pvt 1cl	Warsaw, N. Y.
Neubach, Frank W.	Pvt	Evacuated to hospital Dec. 11, 1918.
O'Grady, John F.	Pvt	214 S. Water St., Kent, Ohio.
Parks, David M.	Pvt	Senoia, Ga.
Phillips, Arthur C.	Pvt	Byhalia, Miss.
Sears, Lewis	Pvt	326 North St., Middletown, N. Y.
Shields, Walter	Pvt 1cl	Wounded and evacuated to hospital.
Smith, Greeley E.	Sgt	908 Pennsylvania Ave., Elmira, N. Y.
Sperrfechter, Frank L.	Pvt	113 Lake Ave., Middletown, N. Y.
Stevens, William H.	Pvt	Oakfield, N. Y.
Sullivan, Francis X.	Sgt	649 Carroll St., Brooklyn, N. Y.



# HEADQUARTERS, 52nd FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

BULLETIN, No. 1.

January 2, 1919.

The following record of service of this Brigade in the American Expeditionary Forces is published for the information of all concerned:

## *Arrival in France*

Troops	Date of Sailing	Date of Arrival
Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	June 30th, 1918	July 12th, 1918
104th Field Artillery	June 30th, 1918	July 12th, 1918
105th Field Artillery	June 30th, 1918	July 12th, 1918
106th Field Artillery	June 6th, 1918	June 18th, 1918
102nd Ammunition Train	June 14th, 1918	June 27th, 1918
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	June 6th, 1918	June 18th, 1918

## *Artillery Training Period*

At Camp de Souge, France, July 17th to August 30th, 1918.

Troops:

Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

## *Minor Operation*

Occupation of front line sector in support of the 33rd Division, in the 17th French Corps, First American Army, September 9th, 1918.

Troops participating:

Hdqrs., 53nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	Entire Regiment less 2nd Battalion
106th Field Artillery	Entire Regiment less Batteries B, E and F
102nd Ammunition Train	All

Occupation of front line position in support of 18th French Division 17th French Corps, north of Verdun, September 9th, 1918.

Troops participating:

105th Field Artillery	Second Battalion
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The 33rd Division took over *Hill 304* and *Mort Homme* Sectors from the 157th and 120th Divisions of the French Army on September 8-9th,

the 104th Field Artillery and the First Battalion of the 105th Field Artillery relieving the 53rd Regiment A.C., French. The Second Battalion of the 105th Field Artillery relieved the 33rd Regiment A.C., French in the sector on the right of the 33rd Division. These sectors were held defensively until September 25th, 1918.

### *Battle*

ST. MIHIEL OFFENSIVE, September 12, 1918.

Troops participating :

Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All

The St. Mihiel offensive was a prepared attack, made by the First American Army on the right of the sector occupied by the 17th French Corps, and was participated in by an artillery demonstration by all of artillery in the French Corps, including the units of the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade above named. The Brigade was in action from 1 hr. to 18 hrs., September 12th, 1918. Batteries B, E and F, 106th Field Artillery were in reserve.

### *Battle*

MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE (On west bank of the *Meuse*, between *Bethincourt*, *Forges*, *Gercourt* and *Dannevoux*), September 26th, 1918.

Troops participating :

Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This was a prepared attack. The 33rd Division was the right Division of the III U. S. Corps, which was the right Corps of the First American Army. The 80th Division was on our left, and the units of the 17th French Corps occupied the sector to the right of the First American Army, but made no Infantry attack. The 33rd Division carried all its objectives, including the Hagen Stellung, and organized the sector for

defense along the west bank of the *Meuse* from *Dannevoux* to *Forges*. During this attack, the 212 R.A.C., French (9 Batteries), and the Second Battalion 308 R.A.L., French (3 Batteries), were attached to the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade. The 102nd Trench Mortar Battery was in reserve.

### *Minor Action*

#### MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

*Forges, Consenvoye, Dannevoux, Meuse River Sector, September 27th-October 2nd, 1918.*

#### Troops participating:

Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This action consisted of holding the right flank of the First American Army along the west bank of the *Meuse River* from *Forges* to the westerly edge of the *Bois de le Côte Lemont* during its organization for defense by the 33rd Division under continual observed artillery fire. The 102nd Trench Mortar Battery was in reserve.

### *Engagement*

#### MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

Attack on *Brieulles*, October 3rd-7th, 1918.

#### Troops participating:

Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This attack was the continuation of an attack by the First American Army, participated in by the 4th Division on our left, supported by the artillery fire of the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade. The Trench du Teton, just south of *Brieulles*, a strongly held field work, and the enemy works in the town of *Brieulles* itself, had prevented the advance of the 80th Division for several days. The 80th Division had been replaced by the 4th Division for the purpose of the attack. The position was taken and

enabled the troops of the First American Army to the west of *Brieulles* to advance in the direction of *Dun-sur-Meuse*. The 102nd Trench Mortar Battery transported ammunition to battery positions with its motor equipment.

### *Battle*

#### MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

Attack on *Bois de Chaume*, *Bois Plat-Chene* and *Consenvoye*, October 8th-13th, 1918.

#### Troops participating:

Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This was a prepared attack by the 17th French Corps, Major-General Claudel commanding, to which Corps the 33rd Division and the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade were transferred for the purpose of the attack, and were on the left flank. The 29th Division was on our right and the 80th Division, III U. S. Corps, on our left. The original plan called for the participation of one Battalion of the 132nd Infantry, supported by the Machine Gun Battalions, the artillery being organized into a groupment, consisting of the 104th Field Artillery, Second Battalion of the 105th Field Artillery, and the Second Battalion of the 106th Field Artillery, under command of Colonel Emery T. Smith, 106th Field Artillery, for the direct support of the attack, the remainder of the Brigade being at the disposal of the Division Commander for additional artillery support. As the attack progressed, the amount of opposition which developed required the reinforcement of the attacking troops by the entire 66th Infantry Brigade, supported by all the Machine Gun Battalions, under the command of Brigadier-General Wolfe, which Brigade was subsequently relieved by the 65th Infantry Brigade under command of Brigadier-General King. The Infantry of the 33rd Division on three successive days carried its attack to its objective opposite *Giselher Stellung*, but was ordered each time to retire, to make contact with the 29th Division on its right, which had been unable to overcome the strong enemy opposition in the *Bois de Consenvoye*, *Bois de la Grande Montagne* and *Bois d'Ormont*. During this battle over 5,000 prisoners were captured by the 17th French Corps. The 102nd Trench Mortar Battery was in reserve and transported ammunition to battery positions with its motor equipment.

*Battle*

## MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

Attack on *Heights of the Grande Montagne*, France, October 14th, 1916.

## Troops participating:

Hdqs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	Hdqs., 2nd Battalion, Batteries C, D & E
105th Field Artillery	2nd Battalion
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This was a prepared attack by the 29th Division on the *Heights of the Grande Montagne*, which was supported by the fire of the above mentioned units of the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade, and was intended to push forward the line of that Division to the objective previously attained by the 33rd Division. The 26th Division Infantry (French) was on the right of the 29th Division. The enemy strongly opposed every attack, and but slight advance was made by the American troops, who sustained heavy losses through machine gun and artillery fire. The 102nd Trench Mortar Battery was in reserve.

*Minor Operation*

## MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

*Vilosnes, Sivry, Bois de Chaume* Line, October 15-21, 1918.

## Troops participating:

Hdqs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This action consisted of supporting the 33rd Division in holding and organizing the position attained by them and held under heavy observed artillery fire continuing day and night. In addition to the work of supplying ammunition to battery positions with its motor equipment, the 102nd Trench Mortar Battery had four guns in action during the night of October 20-21, 1918, in an attack on *Vilosnes*.

*Relief*

On October 21st the 33rd Division was relieved by the 15th French Colonial Division and the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade was relieved by the

Divisional artillery of this Division. The Brigade then proceeded to rest areas as follows:

Hdqs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	Diene
104th Field Artillery	Bois de Cinq Freres
105th Field Artillery	Bois la Ville
106th Field Artillery	Bois la Ville
102nd Ammunition Train	Fauberg Pave, Verdun
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	Fauberg Pave, Verdun

On October 25th, the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade was detached from the 33rd Division and attached to the 79th Division. The 52nd Field Artillery Brigade, as part of the 79th Division, took over the *Grande Montagne* sector on the east bank of the *Meuse*, occupied by the 29th Division, the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade relieving the 158th Field Artillery Brigade on the nights of October 28-29 and 29-30, 1918.

#### *Minor Action*

#### MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

*Grande Montagne, Belleu Bois, and Bois d'Ormont Sector* October 29th-November 1st and 2nd, 1918.

#### Troops participating:

Hdqs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This action consisted of holding the *Grande Montagne, Belleu Bois, Bois d'Ormont* front line under continual artillery and machine gun fire, with direct observation from the enemy positions in *Haraumont* and *Bois d'Ormont*. The Brigade was supporting the 79th Division, which was in the 17th French Corps. The 15th Colonial French Division was on its left and the 26th U. S. Division on its right. The III U. S. Corps was, on the left of the 17th French Corps. The 102nd Trench Mortar Battery was in reserve.

#### *Battle*

#### MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

*Dun-sur-Meuse, France, November 1-2-3, 1918.*

#### Troops participating:

Hdqs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All



This was a prepared attack by the III U. S. Corps to advance the line held by them along the *Cunel-Briculles Road* and further to the west of the *Meuse* and from *Briculles* to *Dun-sur-Meuse* to the north, which resulted in the forcing of the enemy off the heights on the west bank of the *Meuse*. The attack was supported by a demonstration fire by the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade.

### *Battle*

#### MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

Attack on *Haraumont Ridge* and *Borne du Cornouiller*, France, November 4-7, 1918.

#### Troops participating:

Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This battle was started by a reconnaissance in force by the 158th Infantry Brigade in the direction of *Borne du Cornouiller*, and two reconnaissances in force by the 157th Infantry Brigade in the direction of *Bois de la Grande Montagne* toward *Reville* and *Etraye*, in conjunction with the attack on the left by the 15th Colonial French Division, and developed into an engagement involving the entire 158th Infantry Brigade and a large part of the 157th Infantry Brigade. After repeated attacks on the *Borne du Cornouiller*, the enemy was forced to retire, and the 79th Division, pivoting on their right, advanced their left to *Solferino Farm*, connecting up with the 15th D.I.C.F., which had crossed the *Meuse* at *Vilosnes*, taken *Haraumont Ridge* and reached the farm. The 79th Division in this advance broke through the Gieselher Stellung and the Kriemheld Stellung, the 102nd Trench Mortar Battery was in reserve.

### *Battle*

#### MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

Operations resulting in the capture of *Reville*, *Etraye* and *Crepion*, November 8th, 1918.

#### Troops participating:

Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This was an advance by the 79th Division through the *Bois de la Grande Montagne*, *Bois d'Etrayes*, *Bois de Wavrille*, *Belleu Bois*, *Bois de Chêne*, and *Bois d'Ormont*, resulting in the capture of the towns of *Reville*, *Etraye*, *Wavrille* and *Crepion*. On November 7th, the II Colonial French Corps took command of the troops formerly constituting the 17th French Corps, General Claudel remaining in command of the II Colonial French Corps. The 102nd Trench Mortar Battery was in reserve.

### *Battle*

#### MEUSE-ARGONNE OFFENSIVE.

Operations against *Cote du Romagne*, *Côte du Morimont*, and *Cote du Château*, November 9-11, 1918.

#### Troops participating:

Hdqrs., 52nd Field Artillery Brigade	All
104th Field Artillery	All
105th Field Artillery	All
106th Field Artillery	All
102nd Ammunition Train	All
102nd Trench Mortar Battery	All

This was an advance by the 79th Division, including an attack on the high, abrupt *Hills 328, 319*, *Cote du Morimont* and *Cote du Château*, rising from the plains east of the *Tinte Brook*, opposite *Damvillers*, which were strongly prepared positions in the Kriemheld Stellung, dominating the plains and held with aggressive persistence by the enemy because of their strategic importance. The 157th Infantry Brigade succeeded in capturing *Hills 328 and 319*. The 158th Infantry Brigade was obliged to attack the *Côte d'Orne (Hill 356)*, although outside of its sector, because of its dominating position on their left flank, and made four successive attacks thereon without effecting its capture. The action was in full progress upon the termination of hostilities by the armistice going into effect at 11 hrs., November 11th, 1918. The 15th Colonial Infantry Division French was on the left and the 27th U. S. Division on the right of the 79th Division. The 102nd Trench Mortar Battery was in reserve.

By Command of Brigadier-General WINGATE:

WALTER H. SCHOELLKOPF,

*Captain, Field Artillery,*

*Acting Adjutant.*

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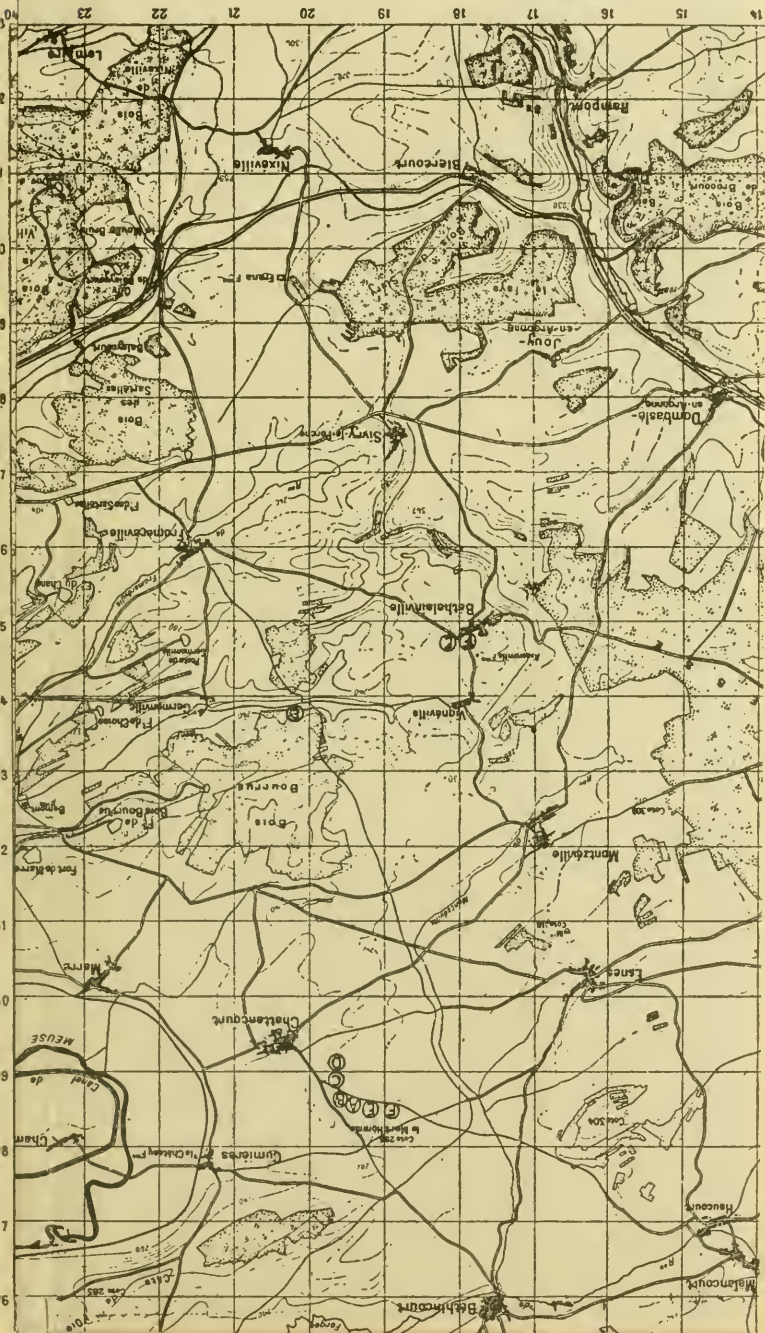
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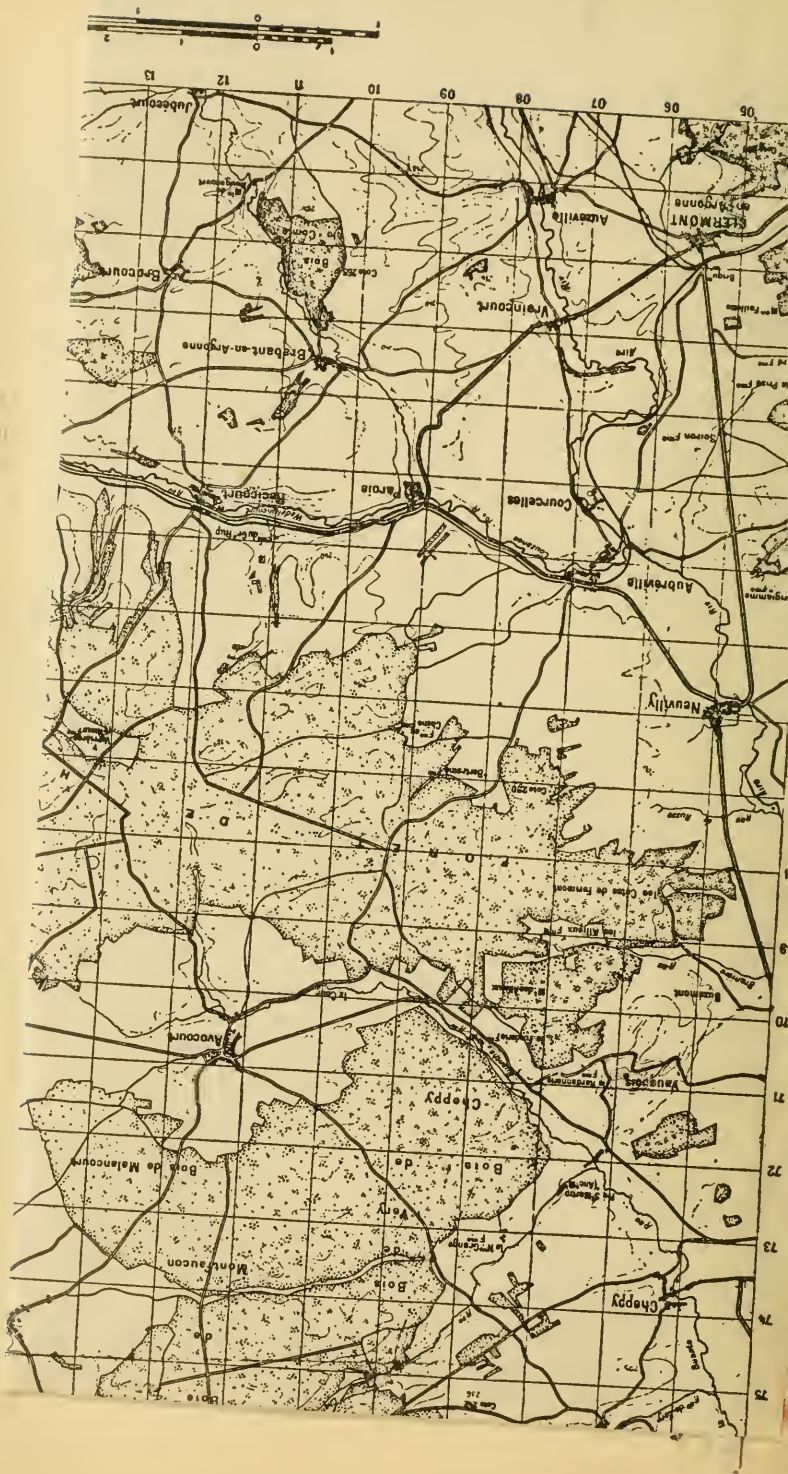
















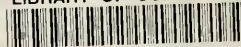








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